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ROOSEVELT MAY BE FORCED TO COMPROMISE ON SILVER

NEW STRIKE THREAT LOOMS IN U.S. MOTOR INDUSTRY

Four-Day Ultimatum Given By 18,000 Detroit Tool Makers

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt, on his return from his holiday, will find himself faced with another motor industry crisis which is developing at Detroit where 18,000 tool and die makers have agreed to strike on Thursday unless their demands for a 20 per cent. wage increase are met.—Reuter.

GIGANTIC MANOEUVRES BY U.S. NAVY

One Month's Operations Over 3,000 Miles.

HUNDREDS OF WARSHIPS AND 300 AIRCRAFT

San Diego, California, To-day.

A gigantic series of battle manoeuvres, in which the United States fleet will fight its way through 4,000 miles of "Enemy" waters, begins to-day and continues for one month.

The manoeuvres are on a scale hitherto never attempted, and will extend 3,000 miles to the Panama Canal and from there to Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Hundred of ships, 300 aircraft, and 35,000 men will participate.

After the manoeuvres, the Fleet will move up the East coast in readiness for a grand review by President Roosevelt, on the Hudson River, at the end of May.—Reuter.

FREEING FROZEN DEPOSITS IN U.S.

McLeod Bill May Be Reported This Week.

$2,000,000,000 REQUIRED.

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Washington, To-day.

It is indicated that the House of Representatives that the Sub-Committee may this week report the McLeod Bill, authorising the Government to fully pay depositors of closed banks affiliated to the Federal Reserve.

Proponents argue that the freeing of frozen deposits will stimulate business and immediately hasten Recovery.

It is estimated that $2,000,000,000 would be required.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

EUROPEAN IN CAR ACCIDENT.

Chinese Slightly Injured

Au Kuen-yc, aged 46 years, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from minor injuries after being knocked down by a motor car. No. 1056, driven by Mr. H. H. Muller, of room No. 301, Peninsula Hotel, in Nathan Road yesterday morning.

The wind shield and the steering wheel of the car were damaged.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR DIES BILL

POWERFUL CONGRESS SUPPORT

RAINEY PREDICTS EVENTUAL GOLD AND SILVER BIMETALLISM

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WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

A BILL FOR THE NATIONALISATION OF SILVER AND THE RESTORATION OF THE 1926 COMMODITY PRICE LEVELS, IS BEING CIRCULATED SECRETLY ON CAPITOL HILL IN CONNECTION WITH A POWERFUL MOVEMENT TO ENACT SILVER LEGISLATION THIS SESSION, COMPELLING PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT EITHER TO ACCEPT OR VETO LEGISLATION.

Administration officials are somewhat alarmed, and are therefore proposing a compromise built around the Dies Bill. White House spokesmen believe that President Roosevelt will accept the Dies Bill if the premium provisions are eliminated or modified. The Bill, in its present form, gives a premium in purchasing power to foreign silver spent here for surplus agricultural products.

Silver advocates predict that a veto will make silver the prime issue in the forthcoming Congressional campaign. The Speaker of the House of Representatives, Mr. Henry T. Rainey, is of the opinion that gold and silver bimetallism will be effected in the United States before long.

"We are going to have a double standard," he said. "We are going to store silver bars and issue silver certificates just as we are now issuing gold certificates."—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

SILVER SENATORS GAIN COURAGE.

New Silver Bill Secretly Circulated.

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Washington, To-day.

The United States silver Senators gaining courage and believe that they can muster a majority for legislation far beyond the limits the Administration is prepared to go.

They think, however, that they will not have sufficient strength to over-ride a veto and therefore may compromise on the Dies Bill.

So far the silver advocates have out-manoeuvred President Roosevelt's Congressional leaders.

Senator Thomas, of Oklahoma, is the author of a Bill which is secretly circulating on Capitol Hill. The measure includes remonetisation.

The Bill proposes:

First, nationalisation of silver by purchase at the highest spot price prevailing on the day prior to nationalisation.

Secondly, payment would be made with silver certificates.

Thirdly, the Treasury would be authorised to purchase, in the world market, foreign silver to a maximum of 50,000,000 ounces monthly until commodity prices reached the 1926 level or silver reached a ratio of parity with the gold.

The silver price of 1926 would be reckoned at U.S.$1.29 in issuing certificates, thereby creating a considerable profit for the Treasury.

"The plan will make money for the Treasury," Senator Thomas said:

"The Democratic platform demanded the rehabilitation of silver, which amounts to controlled inflation". —United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

"GOING TOO FAR"

Nationalisation Plan Criticised.

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Washington, To-day.

The Sub-Committee which is preparing a unified silver Bill meets to-day. The acting-Chairman, Senator Thomas, told the United Press that the Committee will discuss adjustments to the Bill and will probably issue a report to-morrow.

Senator Capper is of the opinion that the differences on the committee view points can be adjusted, but several House of Representatives Democratic leaders insist that if remonetisation schemes are appended to the Dies Bill, it will not be favourably received.

Senator Thomas yesterday conferred with Senator Burton Wheeler who is sick.

In an interview with the *United Press*, Senator Thomas advocated the nationalisation of all domestic silver stocks by the issuance of silver certificates for the purpose of "preventing profiteering."

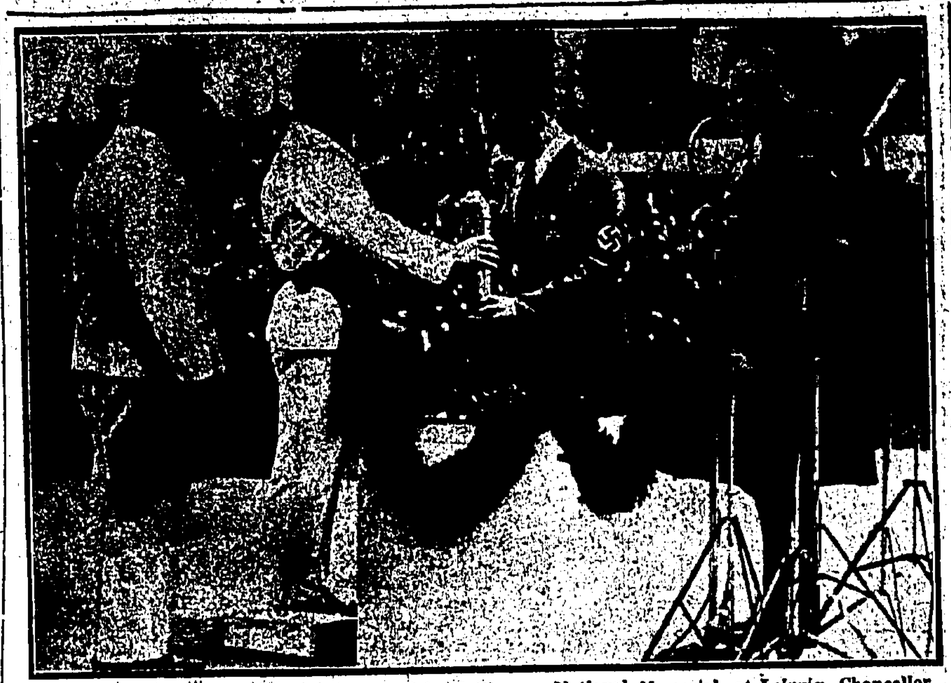
However, Senator Pope is of the opinion that nationalisation is "perhaps going too far."—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

ROGERS DUE TO-DAY IN SHANGHAI.

To Study Silver Question In China.

Shanghai, To-day.

Professor Rogers, who has been sent by President Roosevelt to investigate silver the question in China, is arriving here this evening on the s.s. President Hoover. Chinese bankers are preparing to entertain him.—Reuter.



Laying the foundation stone of the Richard Wagner National Memorial, at Leipzig, Chancellor Adolf Hitler is seen with the plan of the Memorial, ready for placing under the foundation stone. On the right, in Herr Goerdeler, the Lord Mayor of Leipzig. Masons, in uniform complete with top hats, are seen on the left.—(S. & G.).

GERMANY BLAMED BY CREDITORS

Mistaken Financial Policy.

FORTHCOMING NEGOTIATIONS IN BERLIN

Basle, To-day.

It is understood that the meeting of Germany's long-term creditors, at which no German delegate was present, yesterday, reached a provisional agreement as regards the common front to be adopted when the negotiations are held in Berlin shortly.

At the meeting, Germany will submit proposals for a general convention instead of the present individual conventions.

Creditors are of the opinion that Germany herself is chiefly to blame for her present financial straits, owing to mistakes in policy.

This concluded Saturday's meeting at which Dr. H. Schacht, President of the Reichsbank, insisted that it was impossible for Germany to continue the present arrangements for transfer of payments, but given time and not being unduly pressed, she would be able to meet her obligations.—Reuter.

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GIGANTIC ROCK CRASHES

Heavy Havoc Caused In Norwegian Fjord.

TREES AND BUILDINGS WASHED AWAY

Oslo, To-day.

The damage caused when a huge crag crashed into the Tafjord, on Saturday, near Alesund, sending gigantic waves inland for half a mile, and drowning 40 people, is estimated at 450,000 kroner, excluding the damage to forests and fields.

The rock, which crashed down was 1,200 feet high and 600 feet wide, while the Fjord is only 1,800 feet wide, though very deep.

The whole shore where the disaster occurred was shaven clean. Every tree and building disappeared.—Reuter.

U. S. COMMODITY PRICES RISE LAST WEEK

Business Spurt Predicted In America

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New York, To-day.

The *New York Annalist* said in an article yesterday that the week's outstanding developments had produced an upward surge in commodity prices, and "seems to presage another spurt in business activity and also indicating an important test to the entire price—raising programme."—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

RELIGIOUS RIOTS IN BOSTON

Bitter Armenian Church Dispute.

POLICE USE GUNS AND TEAR GAS BOMBS

Boston, To-day.

Employing knives and ice-picks, rival factions of the Armenian Church were engaged in a desperate battle yesterday. The trouble originated over mutual accusations of murdering the Archbishop of Tourain.

Two hundred and fifty Police, armed with riot guns and tear gas bombs, overpowered the rioters and made nine arrests. — Reuter.

(Continued on page 12.)

MR. T. C. BRITTON'S TRAGIC DEATH

Found Shot In Shanghai

FORMER PRESIDENT OF ASIA REALTY

Shanghai, To-day.

The tragic death occurred last night of Mr. T. C. Britton, former President of the Asia Realty Company, who was found dead at his residence here with a bullet wound in his head.

Investigations are being conducted. — Reuter.

WEATHER REPORT

Cloudy weather, with a drizzle or light rain, and fresh north-east winds was the weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

FAR EASTERN OLYMPIAD

Dutch East Indies And Annam Enter.

HEATED DISCUSSION OVER MANCHUKUO EXPECTED

Shanghai, To-day.

At the opening meeting of the Far Eastern Olympic Games Conference to the participation of the Dutch East Indies and Annam at the forthcoming meeting in Manila was agreed on.

The question of the so-called Manchukuo's participation, which the Chinese are bound to oppose, is likely to be brought up by the Japanese delegates, and a heated discussion is expected. — Reuter.

CHINESE COASTER SINKS

20 Believed To Have Been Drowned.

34 SURVIVORS TAKEN TO SHANGHAI

Shanghai, To-day.

The Chinese coaster Yuen Shwun, which sent out distress signals off Ningpo on Saturday and which mysteriously failed to reply to messages, struck submerged rocks off Ningpo shortly after midnight on Saturday and sank within 15 minutes.

More than 20 are believed to have been drowned, though 34 survivors have been picked up and brought to Shanghai by fishing junks.

The vessel was carrying 2,000 tons of cargo but no passengers, all on board being the crew and members of the compradore's staff.

The Japanese captain was among the survivors. — Reuter.

The vessel is owned by a Chinese company at Newchwang.

CURB TRADING ACTIVE IN NEW YORK

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New York, To-day.

Curb exchange investigations here show unusual activity in various issues.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

N.R.A. ATTACKED

Gen. Johnson "The Pawn Of Wall Street."

CODE VIOLATERS MAY BE GAOLED

Washington, To-day.

In order to counter the scathing attacks on the National Recovery Administration, in one of which he is described as a "pawn of Wall Street," General Hugh Johnson, the administrator, has circularised N.R.A. agents throughout the country ordering immediate steps to be taken in bringing violaters of the Codes into Federal courts, with a view to fining and even imprisoning transgressors.—Reuter.

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STOCK REGULATION REVISION URGED.

Retention Of Main Features.

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Washington, To-day.

Mr. Harriman, President of the United States Chamber of Commerce said yesterday that the constructive features of the Stock Market Bill should be retained, but that revision should be made in order that recovery might not be hampered.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

ITALIAN "DOUBLE" IN CAR RACE.

Alfa Romeo Wins Over 1,000 Miles.

MASERATI SUCCEEDS IN LIGHT CAR CLASS.

Brescia, To-day.

The Mille Miglia 1,000-mile motor race held yesterday, resulted in a win for the Italian driver, Varzi, driving an Alfa Romeo.

Taruffi another Italian, driving a Maserati, won the light car class, with Mr. Penn Hughes and Count Lurani, driving a M. G. Magnette, second.—Reuter.

Mr. Whitney Straight's team of Maserati's especially chosen by the designer of Sir Malcolm Campbell's Blue Bird were favoured to win the event. Primo Carnera, the world's heavyweight boxing champion, was rumoured to be accompanying Nuvolari as mechanic.

BIG AMERICAN BOND ISSUE OVER-SUBSCRIBED

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Washington, To-day.

The United States Treasury Secretary, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, has announced that he has received U.S.$550,000,000 in subscriptions for the new series of 3½ per cent. Liberty Bonds callable on April 15 and about U.S.$250,000 for Treasury certificates, due on May.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

The WOMAN'S Page

Correcting Dry Skin

Good Hand Lotion A Necessity.

TISSUE CREAM HELPFUL

If the skin on your neck and face is exceedingly dry, the chances are that your hands are dry and chap easily.

Cosmeticians of note considered that every angle of the beauty question when they were deciding just what to do about dry skin. Hands were carefully thought about and to-day every woman knows or at least she should know, that a good hand lotion is practically a necessity on the dressing table.

Get into the habit of rubbing hand cream or lotion on your hands and arms each time after you have washed them. It is soothing and keeps the skin fresh, smooth and beautiful. Dry hands wrinkle and age much more quickly than do those which possess enough natural oil and moisture. To have really beautiful hands should be every woman's aim and the use of a hand lotion is one way to achieve such beauty.

Using a tissue cream on the hands at night is another good practice. Apply it generously and then wear old but clean cotton gloves while you sleep. If you don't own a nourishing cream, remember that olive oil is an excellent hand cosmetic for use at night. Warm it a little before you rub it on.

DIAGONAL PARTINGS FOR SPRING

Lacquered Diadems For The Hair

CONTRAST AND MATCH

Diagonal hair partings are smart. Some are carried far down at the back of the head, and a row of flat curls arranged right across. The sides and top of the head (unless you are one of those rare types who can carry off a curled Victorian "bang") are kept as flat as possible.

Often a strand of hair is cut and feathered out to make a light "calf lick" over the temple. A kindly arrangement, this, for wearers of off-the-face hats and baby bonnets. The fringe can be brushed back with the hair when a severer style is required.

One hairdresser is making a feature of stiffly lacquered diadem pluits. Sometimes these are in contrast with the rest of the hair, but more often are matched up with it. Very new are lacquered hair bands.

These tone not with the hair but with the gown, and are made up into swirling, sculptured shapes that fit closely to the head. They are particularly good with the new hair-cut.

Ahoy, Shipmate.

For yachting or beach lounging, this outfit, worn by Ida Lupino, screen actress, is the ideal thing. The ensemble is composed of overalls of blue flannel, held at waist with a narrow rope belt, and a blazer jacket of blue, white and red. The sandals are of fine canvas.

International Print Patterns

Mexican Designs Seen On Beaches.

There is one group of new prints decidedly Persian in inspiration. They have multicoloured figures with solid coloured borders. They are interesting in a new kind of way. Then there are floral prints that look as if they had just been plucked from an English garden. They are refreshing and neat—just as one expects an English garden to be. Russian prints have sprung up in designs and colour as Russian as Stalin!

Move south on the map for another fashion inspiration, and take your hat off to Mexico. This vogue is the outgrowth of a fashion born in Florida this winter. These vivid Mexican colours invaded the beach and revolutionized the sportswear story. They are strongly evidenced in the first spring collections.

SPRING FASHIONS IN HATS.

A Breton Sailor Model.

One of the prettiest hats this Spring is a Breton sailor of fine navy-blue straw, with a posy of fuchsia buds placed against the left side of the brim. It will be worn with a dress of navy-blue material patterned with very large fuchsia and cream polka dots.

Fine felt and arophane straw is a new millinery "marriage." A flat little black sailor hat with plaited felt crown and bandeau, and arophane brim, demonstrated the charm of this union.

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

TIFFIN

Pigeon Egg Soup
Sliced Mandarin Fish
Fillet of Beef and Shantung Cabbage
Boiled Rice
Boiled Capon and Ham
Saute Green Peas
Buttered Bamboo Shoots
Eight Precious Pudding
Almond Sauce

DINNER

Chicken Consomme with Pimiento Hearts
Shrimp Patties
Ragout de Chevreuil
Chestnut Croquettes
Baked Cauliflower
Pineapple Salad
Pounding aux Dattes
Custard Sauce

Sliced Mandarin Fish

1½1 lb. mandarin fish, 2 medium bamboo shoots, 10 water chestnuts, sugar, 1 egg, dried mushrooms, vinegar, lard, cornflour or bean flour. Wash and remove bone from fish, cut the fillets into thin slices. Mix a little bean flour or cornflour in the white of an egg (slightly beaten), and put the sliced fish into the mixture. Heat lard in pan, when thoroughly hot, fry the fish until done. Remove from the pan. Put the rest of the ingredients into the pan, stir well and cover, when cooked, add the fried fish and cook a few minutes longer, season with sugar, vinegar and salt according to taste.

Fillet of Beef and Shantung Cabbage

½ lb. fillet of beef, ½ lb. of fresh bean sprouts, 1 lb. Shantung cabbage, 2 dried bean cakes, 2 medium bamboo shoots (using tips only), sugar, salt, 1 tablespoon Chinese wine and Soya sauce to taste. Slice the meat into thin strips, heat lard and fry until slightly brown. Add the Soya sauce. Slice all the vegetables and bean curd, put in with the meat adding enough stock for gravy. Cover and when nearly done, add the washed and picked bean sprouts which should take only a few minutes to cook. Serve with hot rice.

Ragout de Chevreuil

2 lb. of cold roast venison, forcemeat balls, 1 pint of mutton stock, 1½ oz. of butter or margarine, a pinch of cayenne, 1 shallot, 1 oz. of flour, salt, pepper, 1 tablespoonful of port, wine or 2 tablespoonsful of claret. Red currant jelly. Remove all skin and bone from the venison and cut it into neat slices. Sprinkle these with salt and pepper, put the bones and trimmings and any gravy remaining from the roast venison and the stock and shallot into a saucepan. Bring to the boil and simmer for about 1 hour, then strain. Melt the margarine in a pan, add the flour and brown a little, add 1 pint of the gravy made from the bones, and the wine, stir until boiling, then simmer 5 or 10 minutes. Draw the pan to the side of the stove and put the slices of venison and seasoning and make hot but do not boil after the venison is added. Dish neatly with forcemeat balls.

Pineapple Salad

Arrange a good fresh lettuce, pulled to small bits, in a shallow salad bowl. Take a small tin of smaller wedges, and arrange them in the centre like the spokes of a pineapple chunks, cut them into wheel. For the hub of the wheel put a little red currant jelly or a cheese, a mild kind, or bits of cream cheese, over the pineapple, mix very gradually 2 tablespoons of cream, or best bit of beetroot. Sprinkle grated of cream, or best olive oil with 1 tablespoonsful of lemon juice and pour over the salad.

Pouding aux Dattes

½ lb. of breadcrumbs, ½ lb. of brown sugar, ½ lb. of dates, ½ teaspoonful of grated nutmeg, 3 eggs, 2 tablespoonsful of milk, ¼ lb. of suet, a pinch of salt. Wash the dates in warm water and chop them. Shred and chop the suet finely, mix it with the breadcrumbs, salt and nutmeg. Add the sugar and dates stir well together. Beat up the eggs with the milk and stir them into the dry ingredients, adding a little more milk should the mixture be too dry. Put the pudding into a greased basin or mould and cover with a scalded floured cloth and boil for 4 hours. Turn the pudding on to a hot dish and have melted butter or custard sauce.

Ideal for Sports

The three-piece ensemble, displayed here by charming Frances Drake, film actress, is the ideal outfit for summer sports. It consists of blouse, trunks and skirt and may be used for tennis, cycling, beach lounging, or what have you.

OSTRICH FEATHERS.

In Hats And Dresses.

Ostrich feathers will play their part in 1934 fashions. They will be used to trim hats and dresses, while cloaks and capes made from them will be worn.

The fronds of the feathers can be woven to form a kind of delicate fabric.

One model hat made from this material had a crown of pale pink arophane straw, and a sharply upturned brim of woven ostrich feathers to match. Pale pink collar and cuffs made of the feather material were worn with the hat.

Variety In Rolling Brims

Children's Sailor Styles Reviewed.

It is interesting to see the number of rolled brims which have entered the world. There are some very wide brims that roll up suddenly like a curate's hat. Then there are others that take you back to the days when you were a child and wore little upturned sailors. If brims turned up all the way around are not becoming, there are just as many that roll up on one side exposing much hair, but turn down and hug the cheek on the other side, creating a very wearable effect.

THE NEW DARNING EMBROIDERY.

Novel Decoration For Cushion Covers.

A novel method of darning is being used for cushion covers, and other articles, in which the mesh of the material is finished with loops at both ends.

Lengths of wool or yarn can be threaded through the loops and pulled through the canvas, making a pattern in a coloured design.

No needle is used for this work, which gives plenty of scope for individual and artistic creation in design and colour harmonies. The cushion can be finished at each end with a short fringe.

PINAFORE FASHIONS

Two-piece Effect For Daytime Wear.

Pinafores are popping up again. They may have been inspired by the little girl fashions worn in the popular movie "Little Women," but these are anything but juvenile in feeling. On the contrary they are highly sophisticated, extending from finger tip length to below the knees. They are usually tied closely to give a nipped in waistline.

This fashion occurs again and again in the spring scene. Many dresses are actually two pieces with a skirt and blouse, and many times the skirt is placed on a lining, or simply made in two-piece effect. This is a simple and girlish fashion, well liked by young things and older women alike. These dresses may be all one colour or they may be print top with plain skirt or vice versa.

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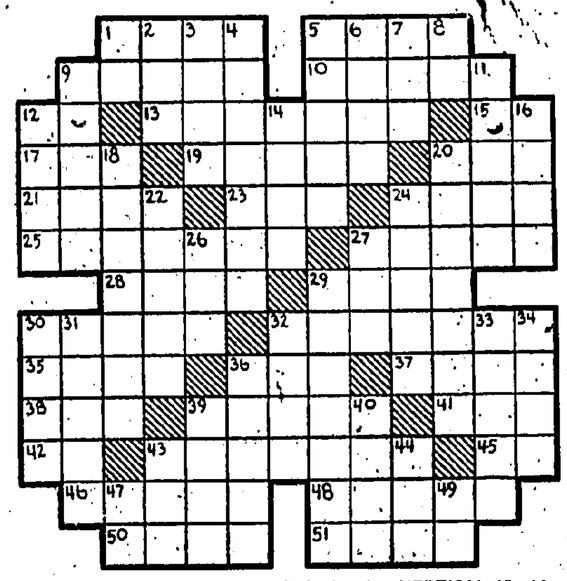
DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as barbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL
1-A condiment
5-To strike with the open hand
9-One who receives a gift
10-Pertaining to the poles
12-Conjunction
13-Foreordain
15-Exists
17-Cutting tool
19-Affirm
20-A small lizard
21-Cravats
23-Before
24-Bargain
25-Makes dear
27-Scatter
28-Lairs
29-Check
30-Slides
32-Thinnest
35-A number (pl.)
36-Strike
37-Title of former Russian ruler
38-Incite

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
39-Covers the inside.
41-Bind
42-Pronoun
43-Becomes more gentle
45-The (Fr.)
46-English novelist, author of "The Cloister and the Hearth"
48-Abounds
50-Mineral springs
51-Moved very fast

VERTICAL
1-Very
2-Conjunction
3-Sediment
4-Examiners
5-Hatred
6-Solitary
7-A beverage
8-Father (short)
9-To empty
11-A firearm
12-Combining form. Bone

VERTICAL (Cont.)
14-Sailors (Colloq.)
16-Boil slowly
18-Marriage ceremony
20-Anxious
22-Percolates
24-Serve scantily
26-Answer (abbr.)
27-Ocean
29-Regrets
30-Stocky part of a plant
31-Light and fine, as a line
32-Narrow thoroughfare
33-Navigates
34-Large plant
36-Small pieces of baked clay
39-Wife of Tyndareus (Gr. Myth.)
40-Walk
43-Knock
44-Look
47-Plural suffix
48-A medical degree (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

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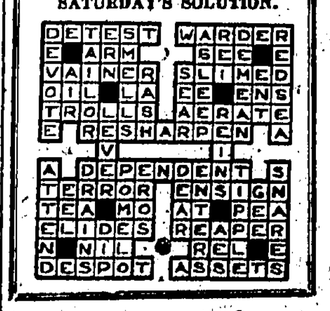
A box-pleated white tussore skirt looks wonderfully well with a Zouave and blouse of the old-fashioned black taffeta.

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.



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COMPANY MEETINGS

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THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, 11th April, 1934, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th April to 25th April, 1934, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
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COMPANY MEETINGS

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forty-ninth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 17th. April, 1934, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. October, 1933.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Thursday, the 12th. day of April to Wednesday the 18th. day of April, 1934, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 6th. April, 1934.

HONG KONG REALTY AND TRUST CO., LTD.
(Incorporated under the Companies Ordinances of Hong Kong)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of Hong Kong Realty and Trust Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Exchange Building (2nd Floor), Des Vœux Road Central, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 24th April, 1934, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1933, confirming the appointment of a Director and re-electing two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 11th April, 1934, to TUESDAY, the 24th April, 1934, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
F. C. BARRY,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 4th April, 1934.

GENERAL NOTICES.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY.

SUMMER TERM commences on WEDNESDAY, 11th April. Entrance Examination at 9.30 a.m. on TUESDAY, 10th April. For Prospectus, apply to the WARDEN; or to LI HOI TUNG, Esq., Banker & Co., 20, Des Vœux Road, C.

CINEMA NOTES

MAIL REVIEW

"CAROLINA,"—KING'S THEATRE

Seven prominent stars are featured in the super Fox Film production, "Carolina," including Janet Gaynor, Lionel Barrymore, Henrietta Crosman, Richard Cromwell, Robert Young, and Mono Barrie.

Janet Gaynor has the leading role as "Joanna" the daughter of a broken-down family of aristocrats who live in the glories of the past, refusing to attempt to improve their straitened circumstances. When "Joanna" farms some land and grows tobacco she has to fight desperately against prejudice and tradition.

The picture is notable for its well-drawn character studies, and the detail work leads to strong dramatic situations.

MAIL REVIEW

"BROADWAY THROUGH A KEYHOLE," QUEEN'S AND ALHAMBRA THEATRES

Several new stage and screen stars are featured in the new Twentieth Century production "Broadway Through a Keyhole," which is now showing simultaneously at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

Russ Colombo, the noted radio crooner plays his first romantic role in this film, another newcomer being Paul Kelly, a Broadway stage favourite, as a daring gangster. Hugh O'Cornnell, also, a stage celebrity provides the comedy in the picture.

Constance Cummings has the feminine lead in the story of a night-club hostess who is befriended by a gangster and finally makes good in the face of many obstacles.

MAIL REVIEW

"FLYING DOWN TO RIO"—CENTRAL THEATRE

Beautiful Dolores Del Rio enacts the most thrilling romance ever experienced by a girl in RKO-RADIO Pictures' musical extravaganza, "Flying Down To Rio."

An all-star cast features the production, including Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire, celebrated idol of New York and London, and a chorus of 200 beauties, selected from 10,000 applicants.

MAIL REVIEW

"SECRET,"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

Mary Pickford reveals that she has lost none of her histrionic ability and appeal in "Secrets," the United Artists' attraction, which is now showing at the Majestic Theatre.

Miss Pickford makes light of a difficult role—that of a young and wealthy girl who renounces everything for the love of her husband, played by Leslie Howard.

MAIL REVIEW

"TURN BACK THE CLOCK,"—STAR THEATRE

The most startling innovation in plot for a screen production is to be seen in "Turn Back The Clock," Lee Tracy's latest starring vehicle.

The picture is a revelation of what might happen to a person who was given an opportunity to relive his life with the benefit of mature experience. Events of recent years are brought into the unique plot written by Ben Hecht and Edgar Selwyn.

MAIL REVIEW

"THE EAGLE AND THE HAWK," LEE THEATRE

"The Eagle and the Hawk," now showing at the Lee Theatre, is a gripping portrayal of two aviators in the World War.

Frederic March is seen as "The Eagle," Cary Grant as "The Hawk." Blonde and lithesome Carole Lombard is the beautiful English society girl and Jack Oakie is the aviator who takes nothing seriously except his meals and his medals.

"Finest Gift"

Joan Bennett Markey

It was the birthday of Joan Bennett, screen actress, thus Gene Markey, her writer-husband and members of the Bennett family showered her with gifts. But Mr. Stork brought the "best of all," a baby girl. The daughter, named Melinda, was born at a Los Angeles hospital.

WIDE SEARCH FOR AMERICAN KIDNAPPERS

Lindberghs Go-Between Investigates.

SELF IMPOSED TASK

Montreal.

A 74-year-old man has dedicated his remaining years and his modest life-savings to a single-handed hunt for the men who got away with £10,000 ransom in the Lindbergh kidnapping case.

Dr. John F. Condon of New York—the famous "Jafsie" of the Lindbergh case is continuing to-day his scrutiny of rogues' photographs at detectives headquarters, trying to find one that would lead to identification of the ransom taker.

It was Dr. Condon who, immediately following the abduction of the Lindbergh baby in March, 1932, attempted to establish contact with the kidnappers by means of advertisements which he signed "Jafsie" —(J.F.C.).

As a result of these advertisements he received communications and corroborative evidence which led him to believe he was in touch with the actual kidnappers of the baby.

Colonel Lindbergh was impressed by the Jafsie negotiations and offered a ransom of £10,000 in denominations as demanded by the man with whom Jafsie was negotiating.

On the night of April 2, 1932, near a Bronx cemetery, Jafsie paid over the ransom money.

"Since then," Dr. Condon says, "some people have suspected me of having kept the money. I have set out to prove my innocence. In order to do this I intend to visit the Rogues' Gallery of every city on the North American continent if necessary, to see if I can find the faces of the men with whom I dealt in negotiations leading up to the transfer of the money.

"I hope to bring them to justice before I die.

"I have spent £2,000 of my own money on the search so far, with no results. It is little enough that I have, but I am ready to spend it all if only I can find the men who got the ransom money."

Montreal is the twenty-seventh city Dr. Condon has visited in his hunt.—Reuter.

James (Lingard (27), of Upper Brook Street, Charlton-on-Medlock, was fined £10 by the Manchester City Stipendiary Magistrate (Mr. J. Wellesly Orr) for taking and driving away a motor-car without the consent of the owner, according to the "Manchester Guardian." He was further fined £5 for stealing from the car a pair of gloves and a camera, and also ordered to pay the costs of witnesses. The car was taken from outside a nursing home in Anson Road, Victoria Park, Rusholme, while the owner, a doctor, was performing an operation.

MAIL REVIEW

"SAMARANG,"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

Unfolding a love story to the accompaniment of thrilling battles between man and beast on land and sea, United Artists' production "Samarang," now showing at the Oriental Theatre, is noteworthy for its picturesque and beautiful photography.

BRIDGE NOTES

A SHIFT IN TIME.

by Ely Culbertson.

The Opening lead against a notrump contract is always rather blind—particularly when there has been no opposition bidding. The player making the first move is forced to pick a particular suit without any real knowledge that this lead is the best. This means that he may discover immediately after the lead is made that some other play would have been superior. However, it is not application of the time factor he may still be able to save a hand which looks absolutely hopeless.

The following hand is extremely interesting not only because of the shift but also because of the particular card chosen in the suit which was shifted to.

South, Dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH:
S.—A 8
H.—10 6 5 2
D.—K Q J 8 5 4
C.—7

WEST:
S.—Q J 10 6 5
H.—K 8 3
D.—A 7
C.—10 4 2

EAST:
S.—7 4 3
H.—A J 7 4
D.—10 6
C.—Q J 8 3

SOUTH:
S.—K 9 2
H.—Q 9
D.—9 3 2
C.—A K 9 6 5

The bidding:

South	North
1C	1D
1NT	3C
3NT	Pass

The bidding was quite logical and West's Opening lead is quite obvious. He led the Queen of spades, which was won in the closed hand with the King. Declarer now immediately went after the diamond suit and West won the second round. It was at this point that he decided that a shift was marked. If he led another spade Declarer would win in the Dummy, run down his diamond suit and probably wind up with 2 certain club tricks left in his own hand. Clubs had been bid originally, so it seemed the Declarer must certainly have Ace-King or Ace-Queen.

Of course, the only suit remaining was hearts and West saw at once that he must make some play which would give him, and his partner 4 heart tricks. His impulse was to lead the 3-spot, but he soon noticed that this play would give him 4 heart tricks only if his partner held A Q J x. There was one other possibility and West took this—he led the 8 of hearts. East won this with the Ace and returned the 4-spot, West's King dropping the Declarer's Queen. Now the 3-spot was led and East held a perfect tenace of the Knave-7 over the Dummy's 10-6. Four tricks were therefore taken in hearts, which, with the Ace of diamonds, defeated the contract one trick.

It is apparent that the lead of the 8-spot would not have succeeded. On the third round West would have led the 8 and the Dummy would have ducked. East would have been forced to play the 7 and the suit would have been blocked. This brilliantly conceived defense deserved its final reward.

SOUND PASSESSES COLOUR.

Clarinet Notes Are Yellow.

Nice.

Every sound has its own very definite colour, according to a well-known Riviera physiologist who is also a musician.

He announces that the notes of the flute are red while those of the clarinet are yellow. The sound of the trumpet and the guitar, he declares, both give a sensation of cascades of gold.

No mention is made of the saxophone.—Reuter.

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RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

1-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1.15 p.m.—A relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room.
1.30 p.m.—Local Forecast, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

Dual Transmission To-night.

5-8 p.m.—European Programme.
5-7 p.m.—A relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden.
7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, etc.
7.3-8 p.m.—Recorded Programme.

Overture—
Marriage of Figaro (Mozart),
Il Seraglio (Mozart),
Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Clemens Krauss.

Violin Solo—
Menuet (Debussy—Dushkin),
Tambourin Chinois (Kreisler),
Joseph Szigeti.

Song—
Elegie (Song of Mourning) (Massenet),
Ich Grolle Nicht (I'll not complain) (Shumann),
John Brownlee (Baritone).

Pianoforte—
Rigoletto—Paraphrase De Concert (Verdi—Lizt),
Alfred Cortot.

Orchestral—
La Siesta (Barcarolle (Norton — arr. Lotter),
The Grasshopper's Dance (Bucalossi),
The London Palladium Orchestra conducted by Richard Green.

Song—
Waltz Song ("Merrie England") (German),
Love will find a Way ("The Maid of the Mountains") (Fraser Simpson),
Helene Esserman (Soprano).

Orchestral—
Noel Coward Medley,
The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall.

Song—
Why can't This Night go on Forever (Jones & Newman),
Farewell To Arms (Wrubel & Silver),
Charles Carlisle.

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
8.03-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

All Relays of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestras are by courtesy of the Management.

8.30-10 p.m.—European Recorded Programme from "Z.E.K." on 640 kilocycles.

Orchestral—
Reminiscences of Grieg (Arr. Urbach),
Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

Orchestral—
Hungarian Dance No. 5 (Brahms),
Hungarian Dance No. 6 (Brahms),
San Francisco Symphony Orchestra directed by Alfred Hertz.

Pianoforte—
Polonaise in E flat (Chopin),
Jose Echaniz.

Vocal Gems—
Miss Hook Of Holland (Rubens),
Light Opera Company.

Orchestral—
Dance Slave (Chabrier),
Marche Joyeuse (Chabrier—Hinrichs),
New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Octet—
A Venetian Barcarolle (Arr. P. Willoughby),
J. H. Squire Octet.

Vocal—
I Cover The Waterfront (Heyman & (Green),
Mood Indigo,
Layton & Johnstone.

Orchestral—
C. B. Cochran Presents,
The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed Henry Hall with Alice Dolysia, & Les Allen.

Orchestral—
At Dawning (Cadman),
The Waltzing Doll (Poldini),
New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Song—
Ev'ry Little While (Harbach & Kern),
Try getting a Good Night's Sleep,
Frances, addok (Soprano).

Orchestral—
"Dorothy" (Selection) (Cellier),
Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

Vocal—Old Timers,
The Big Four.

10 p.m.—Close Down.

VATICAN MOURNS FOR PEASANT

Woman Who Made 11 Pilgrimages.

LOOKED UPON AS SAINT

Vatican City.

Death has claimed Frau Kathi Kopp, an Oberammergau (Bavaria) peasant woman, when she was on the point of attaining her dearest wish.

Twenty-one years ago, thrilled with religious emotion by seeing the Oberammergau passion play, she made a vow to walk the 1,200 miles to Rome and back 12 times before she died.

Eleven time she made the pilgrimage, but at the age of 84, the twelfth journey, she was when she was about to start on seized with a fatal illness.

Her death has caused grief both in the palaces of the Vatican and in humble cottages on the highroads of Italy.

It was in 1913, when already over 60, that she made her first journey. With only a few coppers in her purse, she lived on the charity of wayside people until she reached the Ethernal City two months later.

She spent Christmas Day in a shepherd's hut in the Appennines.

Pope Pius XI received her the day the arrived, and the same afternoon, after receiving his blessing, she started on the return journey.

During the war Kathi could not make the pilgrimage, but afterwards she came to Rome 10 times on foot, becoming a well-known figure in the Vatican and a welcome guest in cottages and Alpine shelters.

Many peasants looked on her as a saint and knelt before her as she passed, asking her for her blessing.—Reuter.

Sporting Page

HONG KONG TEAM'S LACK OF SPEED AND INFERIOR STICKWORK

CAMBRIDGE BEAT HARVARD AT RUGBY IN AMERICA

Jones Breaks Ankle Bone

New York, To-day.

Playing under British Rugby Union rules the Cambridge University touring team beat the Harvard University fifteen by 41 points to 18 on Saturday, after leading by 26 points to 10 at half-time.

Jones, the Light Blues' stand-off half, broke his ankle bone in the first half.—Reuter.

RICHMOND DEFEATED IN WALES

Harlequins Lose To Bristol.

HOME RUGBY RESULTS

London, Yesterday.

The following were the results of the leading Rugby Union matches played to-day:

Birkenhead Park 5 Leicester 13.
Blackheath 3 Newport 6.
Cardiff 18 Richmond 11.
Devonport Service 0 Gloucester 0
Harlequins 8 Bristol 14.
London Scottish 20 Bath 16.
Northampton 10 Rosslyn Park 21
Aberavon 14 Guy's Hosp. 0.
Swansea 11 Coventry 6.
Torquay Ath. 10 St. Bart's Hosp. 10.
Waterloo 5 Headingley 15.
—Reuter.

Next Saturday's Games

The following is next Saturday's programme:

Bedford v. Old Blues.
Birkenhead Park v. Waterloo.
Brighton v. Harelquin XV.
Exeter v. Llanelly.
Gloucester v. Harlequins.
Leicester v. Blackheath.
Neath v. Devonport Services.
Newport v. Bath.
Old Merchant Taylors v. London Irish.
Pontypool v. Bristol.
Plymouth Albion v. Cardiff.
Wasps v. London Welsh.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB RESULTS

The Hong And Open Foursomes.

SIX MATCHES DECIDED OVER WEEK-END

The following were the results of matches decided over the Kowloon Golf Club course during the week end:

Hong Foursomes

(Godown Coy) W. Groves and A. L. Eastman beat (Sanitary Dept.) A. T. Braley and T. Seddon 4 and 3.

(H.K. Electric) J. R. Way and W. Stoker beat (S.A.A.) W. Hirst and S. Angus 3 and 2.

Open Foursomes

G. Moss and W. Stoker beat S. McNider and C. R. Rosen 2 and 1.

F. C. Barry and E. O. Murphy beat G. Milne and D. C. Wilson 1 up.

S. Jex and C. L. Roe beat S. Booker and A. J. W. Dorling 3 and 2.

J. McKelvie and W. Taylor beat W. Fisher and C. E. Terry 5 and 4.

CAPTAIN'S CUP AT FANLING.

Ritchie And Matthews Qualify.

A. Ritchie (85—12=73) qualified for the Captain's Cup (April) over the Old Course at Fanling during the week-end.

Lt.-Col. E. D. Matthews (88—10=78) qualified over the New Course.

ELVEN IN DEADLY FORM AGAINST K.C.C.

Takes 6 For 21 On Batsman's Wicket

CAPT. WILLIAMS DOES WELL BEHIND STICKS

Inspired bowling on a batsman's wicket by C. S. M. Elvin provided the feature of yesterday's cricket match in which the Combined Services beat the Kowloon Cricket Club by 7 wickets at the K.C.C.

Elvin dismissed the first four K.C.C. batsmen and ended up with an analysis of 6 for 21 in 13 overs!

Lt. Garthwaite and Lt. Williams added 76 for the third Services' wicket, the former including ten boundaries in his 61 (retired).

Capt. Williams kept wicket remarkably well, stumping Teddy Fincher and successfully appealing for the dismissal of three batsmen for using their pads to straight balls.

F. S. W. Smith bowled exceptionally well during his first 13 overs during which period he dismissed Lt. Williams for the following analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
13	4	17	1

Going in at 35 for 4, S. V. Gittins was last out for the K.C.C., collecting 36 out of 76.

Scores:

Kowloon C. C.

E. C. Fincher, st Capt. Williams, b Elvin	12
C. I. Stapleton, c Garthwaite b Elvin	0
E. F. Fincher, l.b.w. b Elvin	15
F. A. Munn, l.b.w., b Elvin	3
F. S. W. Smith, b Garthwaite	6
S. V. Gittins, c Walch, b Marsham	36
P. O. Dunne, b Elvin	0
R. B. Lewis, c & b Elvin	1
C. B. R. Sargent, b Garthwaite	4
W. L. McKenzie, l.b.w. b Cragg	6
N. A. E. Mackay, not out	15
Extras (b. 9, n.b. 4)	13
Total	111

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Garthwaite	19	5	56	2
Elvin	13	0	21	6
Cragg	7	2	17	1
Marsham	1.1	0	4	1

Combined Services

Lt. Williams, l.b.w. b Smith	40
Lt. Marsham, R.N., c & b E. F. Fincher	4
L. S. Peatfield, R.N., c Lewis, b Dunne	19
Lt. Garthwaite, retired	61
Capt. Walch, c Dunne, b McKenzie	52
Capt. Williams, b Lewis	4
Lt.-Comdr. Stephenson, R.N., b Sargent	37
Lt. Eaden, R.N., st Stapleton, b Smith	10
Lt. Luard, R.N., c E. F. Fincher, b Sargent	39
Lt. Cragg, not out	9
Extras (b. 12, l.b. 4)	16
Total (for 9 wkts.)	291

C. S. M. Elvin did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. F. Fincher	6	0	18	1
Smith	20	4	74	2
Lewis	9	0	46	1
Dunne	8	2	27	1
Sargent	8.2	0	54	2
McKenzie	3	0	12	1
Gittins	2	0	24	0
Mackay	3	0	20	0

Sargent Scores 57 and Takes 4 For 35.

The partnership between C.B.R. Sargent and E. C. Fincher, which realised 74 runs provided the feature of the game between Lt. Garthwaite's XI and the Kowloon Cricket Club, which the former won by 26 runs at the K.C.C.

Lt. Garthwaite's XI: 175 (Major Bonavia 34, Lt.-Comdr. Stephenson 31, Lt. Cragg 40, C. B. R. Sargent 4 for 35).

K.C.C.: 149 (C. B. R. Sargent 57, E. C. Fincher 30, Lt. Cragg 4 for 18).

Last Rites for Baseball's "Little Napoleon"

While the sports world mourned, the body of John J. McGraw, for many years the fighting manager of the New York Giants, is shown being borne from St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, after last rites before being taken to Baltimore, Md., for burial. Among mourners are Bill Terry (left, below), who succeeded McGraw as manager of Giants, and Charles Stoneham, Giants' president. At top, Christy Mathewson, Jr., son of McGraw's greatest pitcher.

RECREIO THE JUNIOR RUNNERS-UP

Craigengower Lose Last Encounter.

POLICE FIRST WIN

THE Craigengower Cricket Club lost their last chance of being runners-up in the Junior Cricket League when they unexpectedly lost to the Royal Engineers by 8 runs at the Valley on Saturday.

The Recreio are now runners-up to the Indian R.C., who have succeeded Craigengower as the champions.

In the other junior league game on Saturday the Police recorded their first win of the season after nine matches when they beat the University by 5 wickets at Pokfulam.

The following were the leading batting and bowling feats on Saturday:

Batting

E. Suza (C.C.C.)	60
W. L. Clarke (Police)	37*
W. Meadows (Police)	36
L/Cpl. Wateridge (R.E.)	35
A. B. Tata (University)	34

Bowling

W. L. Clarke (Police)	5 for 10
S. Abbas (C.C.C.)	6 for 51
L/Cpl. Shipp (R.E.)	5 for 54

M.C.C. TOURING TEAM HOME AGAIN

Bodyline Not Used In India

Plymouth, Mar. 28.

The M.C.C. Indian tourists arrived to-day minus Jardine, who is staying on shooting in India.

The manager said the tour was very successful. The Indians had greatly improved, but he was unable to say whether they would ever reach Australian and English standards.

Bodyline bowling was not used in India. This was probably the reason for the success and friendliness of the tour.—Reuter.

India's finest cricketer without a doubt is Major Naidu. His bowling, batting, and against the M.C.C. all showed real artistry. In the interests of his side he dropped his natural free hitting style, and fast and slow bowlers came alike to him. The bumped ball made little or no difference to his play, while his long reach was a great advantage when he was facing the slow men on worn wickets.—Jack Hobbs.

D'ALMADA E CASTRO RETAINS TITLE

Equals Record In 100 Yards.

REED'S FINE PERFORMANCE

C. D'Almada e Castro retained his 100 yards title at the Club de Recreio Athletic Meeting yesterday at King's Park when he breasted the tape in 101/5 secs. to equal the record.

This time was also returned by W. Reed in the Consolation Race!

Miss J. Lopes established a ladies' record when she clocked 12 4/5 secs. in the 100 yards to clip two-fifths of a second off the previous record.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Mrs. R. G. Alves Guerra, wife of the Portuguese Consul, distributed the prizes.

Results.

Putting the shot.—1, M. A. Xavier; 2, A. P. Eca Silva. Distance—27 ft. 10 ins.

120 yards boys flat race.—1, Loe Xavier; 2, P. Remedios. Time—13.3/5 secs.

100 yards girls flat race.—1, Thelma Marques; 2, Regina Xavier.

Kicking the football.—1, J. Gonsalves; 2, J. E. Noronha.

100 yards flat race for Ladies.—1, Miss J. Lopes; 2, Miss C. Lopes. Time—12.4/5 secs.

220 yards boys flat race.—1, C. Rozario; 2, V. Ribeiro. Time—23.2/5 secs.

100 yards flat race.—1, C. D'Almada e Castro; 2, M. Delgado. Time—10.1/5 secs.

60 yards boys and girls race.—1, Alda Marques; 2, Aurea Marques.

120 yards flat race.—1, L. Carvalho; 2, J. E. Noronha.

Rolling the bowls.—1, C. M. Xavier; 2, H. Britto.

100 yards veterans flat race.—1, J. Ribeiro; 2, C. Marques.

One mile race.—1, E. D. M. Silver; 2, M. Gill. Time—5 mins. 29 secs.

Relay Race (open to the Colony).—1, St. Joseph's Past; 2, Lincolns.

Members relay race.—Team captained by J. E. Noronha.

Ladies nomination.—1, P. M. N. da Silva and Miss L. Soares; 2, H. A. Botelho and Miss A. Jorge.

Beer Race.—1, C. Roza Pereira; 2, A. Pinna.

440 yards flat race.—1, C. D'Almada e Castro; 2, H. Campos. Time—56.3/5 secs.

One round walking competition.—1, M. Soares; 2, H. A. Botelho.

100 yards consolation race.—1, W. Reed; 2, M. Oliveira. Time—10.1/5 secs.

VINES BEATEN

Baltimore, Mar. 20.

In a professional lawn tennis match contested in Baltimore yesterday, the French player, Martin Plaa, defeated the American, Ellsworth Vines, 6-4, 7-5, 6-4. Tilden beat Henri Cochet by 6-4, 4-6, 8-6, 8-6, 6-2.—Havas.

DOCKYARD LAWN BOWLS TRIUMPH

Craigengower Lose By One Shot.

HOLLIDGE'S RINK RECORD BIG WIN

The Dockyard Recreation Club beat the Craigengower Cricket Club by one shot in a friendly lawn bowls encounter on the C.C.C. green on Saturday.

Although the home club won on three of the four rinks, J. Hollidge's score was sufficient to enable the Dockyard Club to run out winners by one shot.

B. W. Bradbury and H. Beer finished up all square, thanks to a six that came to the former on the 19th. head. On the 18th. head Beer was lying four with 5 of his opponents' woods well in the rear. Bradbury took careful aim and trailed the jack, but he had not sufficient weight to carry it through to his rear woods. Beer did not alter the lay with his last wood.

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C.C.C.		D.R.C.	
A. E. Coates		J. Willmott	
W. Brightman		A. Allan	
D. Rumjahn		C. Simmons	
B. W. Bradbury (Skip)	14	H. Beer (Skip)	14
D. Kharas		G. Hoskins	
W. Ward		H. Milton	
E. el Arculli		L. Luck	
U. M. Omar (Skip)	21	J. Cavangh (Skip)	14
G. L. Buchanan		A. Marchant	
G. Duncan		W. Phelps	
M. J. Medina		F. Jones	
A. Razack (Skip)	11	J. Hollidge (Skip)	26
J. Landolt		A. W. Meloy	
Y. Abbas		P. O'Connell	
W. Field		S. Alderman	
C. S. Rosselet (Skip)	22	W. Gill (Skip)	15
Total	68	Total	69

JOCKEY CLUB LOSE STEWARD.

Mr. F. Sutton Leaves On Ranchi.

The Hong Kong Jockey Club has lost an enthusiastic supporter in Mr. F. Sutton, who sailed for England on the s.s. Ranchi on Saturday on retirement.

Mr. Sutton, who was Assistant Superintendent of Crown Lands and Surveys, joined the Public Works Department in 1903, and is well-known as a Steward of the Jockey Club, and an owner. He is accompanied by Mrs. Sutton and Miss Sutton.

VISITORS SUPREME

BRILLIANT DEFENCE OFFERED

Rodrigues And Reed Impress.

WONG'S LAPSE

(BY STICKS)

Lack of speed and inferior stickwork was responsible for Hong Kong's defeat by four clear goals at the hands of Malaya in the Interport Hockey game on Saturday.

The visitors were undoubtedly the superior team in all departments, and it is small wonder they did not score more often than four times against a defence that was taken completely by surprise.

Wong has played better games in goal, though his exhibition in the first half was faultless. Malaya's third goal should have been saved. Osman was very close to the edge of the circle when he sent in a shot at goal, and Wong appeared to hesitate, and when he did attempt to kick the ball clear it was too late. It is more than probable that he thought the shot had come from outside the circle.

Rodrigues and Reed gave a sterling display on the right flank of the Colony defence, and it was no fault of theirs that Hong Kong lost.

Phillips was inclined to attempt first-time clearances too often and was slow in recovery. He, however, held the team very well under the circumstances.

Lowe was outplayed at centre-half by an exceedingly fast opposing inside-forward trio, but he put in some good defensive work on occasion. He was unable to render much support to his forwards, as his passes were invariably intercepted by the La Brooy cousins and Rahman, who was magnificent in defence.

Hill was outplayed by Caleb, being slow and uncertain in his clearances. E. V. Reed would have been a better substitute.

Currey Most Dangerous

Currey made openings for his inside forwards, and Eaden and Garthwaite both missed "sitters" during the game. Currey never attempted a solo effort, otherwise Hong Kong might have reduced the arrears. He was undoubtedly the most dangerous Colony forward.

Donald and Eaden had a disappointing match, the winger being held in subjection throughout the game. The pass was either too hard or intercepted, and he seldom looked like eluding Rahman or Abbas. Eaden's ball control was not as impressive as usual.

Garthwaite fed Lal Singh well during the first half, but then unexpectedly starved him in the second half, and Malaya were allowed the easy task of subduing the right flank attack. Garthwaite was slow in positioning himself for a shot at goal, and opportunities were missed as a result.

Lal Singh did not reveal his best form, but he should never have been neglected as he was in the second half. He flashed across several very fine back-stick centres which should have resulted in goals.

Taking them all round the Hong Kong team, which included two Internationals in Currey (England) and Phillips (Ireland), and several County players, badly disappointed.

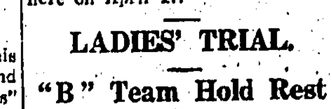
The splendid covering up of the Malaya players in defence and their uncanny anticipation were the main features of the game. If one player was beaten the Colony player was *instantly* tackled by another opponent, while the beaten player recovered quickly to support his colleague. In this manner all the Hong Kong movements were nipped in the bud.

BADCOCK TO PLAY IN LANCASHIRE LEAGUE

Cromb Declines Invitation To England

F. T. Badcock, the former Sussex cricketer, who is coach to the Otago Association in New Zealand, will sail for England shortly to take up an appointment with a Lancashire League club.

I. B. Cromb, the New Zealand Test player, has, however, declined an invitation to play League cricket for Blackpool.



MALAYA POSTPONE MACAO VISIT.

Sui Tai's Damaged Propellor.

Owing to the S.S. Sui Tai damaging her propellor when she fouled a cable leaving the wharf yesterday morning, the Malaya team were forced to postpone their visit to the Macao Hockey Club until to-day.

The visitors will return to Hong Kong by the 3 a.m. boat to-morrow, and will play their concluding game against the United Services to-morrow and will leave for Singapore by the Antenor on Wednesday.

STRAITS CHINESE SENDING TEAM.

Expected Here On April 12.

Information has been received in Hong Kong that a team of Chinese hockey players from Malaya are desirous of visiting Hong Kong for a series of matches here, in Macao and in Canton.

At a meeting of the Hong Kong Hockey Association Council to be held on Thursday, in St. Andrew's Church Hall, the question as to what action is to be taken with regard to the visit will be discussed.

The team is expected to arrive on the s.s. Talma, which leaves Singapore on April 12 and is due here on April 17.

LADIES' TRIAL.

"B" Team Hold Rest To Draw.

EQUALISER IN SECOND HALF.

The Ladies' Rest team, who will meet the Caer Clark Cup Hockey Champions (The Hong Kong Ladies') in the final match of the competition on Wednesday, on the Hong Kong Football Club ground, played their first trial match as a team at King's Park yesterday when they were held to a draw by the "B" team.

Miss M. Woolley opened the scoring for the Rest in first half, but Miss A. Alves equalised for the "B" team after the interval.

The following were the teams:

Rest:—J. Weller (Y. M. C. A. Ladies); F. K. Walker (Central British Association) and M. Basto (Club de Recreio); I. L. Woolley (St. Andrew's Club), E. M. Beavis (Central British Association); H. Krill (Central British School), M. Smith (Central British Association) M. Woolley (St. Andrew's Club) (Captain), P. E. Gittins (St. Andrew's Club) and O. Brown (Y.M.C.A. Ladies). Reserves: Goal, G. Roza (Recreio); Back, J. Wilson (Y.M.C.A. Ladies); Half-back, J. Wong (St. Andrew's); Forwards, A. Alves (Recreio) and F. Wong (Recreio).

Selected XI:—G. Roza; C. Osmund and J. Wilson; L. Xavier, J. Wong and K. Moir; F. Wong R. Blackmore, C. Silva, A. Alves and M. Remedios.

COMMODORE'S CUP

Monsoon (Mr. G. Grieve) won the recall of the Commodore's Cup race over a 21 miles course yesterday. Curlew (Major Mousley) was second and Azuma (Mr. Lambert) was third.

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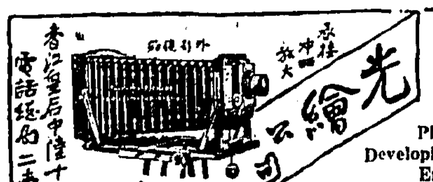

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PODMORE BETTERS PARDOE

WROE'S FINE GAME AFTER HOSPITAL.

BORDERERS DEFENCE OUTSTANDING

(BY OUTSIDE LEFT)

The Borderers defence left nothing to be desired against the Artillery. Although seldom called on, Smith proved to be "on his toes," while Mullane and Morrison were an almost impenetratable barrier which called a quick halt to any attacks made by the Gunners.

Podmore, at centre half, played well, surpassing even his form in last week's games—his passes were excellent and his inclination to wander from his position checked many of the Artillery's more dangerous movements.

He was well supported by Davies and Underwood who kept their wings well fed—it would have been more advantageous, at times if they had attempted sole efforts.

PARDOE'S BAD LUCK

The best man in the Artillery side was Pardoe—he worked very hard in the pivot position, and had hard luck with several good shots—besides having the mortification of seeing the majority of his passes to the forwards being wasted by weak kicking and bad judgement.

In this game the two best centre-halves in local military football were playing against each other. Both played very well, but Podmore proved the cleverer.

The Artillery's half-back line was weakened by the absence of Worthington Wroe, at left back, played a very hard game, despite the fact that he has only recently being discharged from Hospital. Durham played very well in goal, bringing off some fine saves to keep the score so low.

CROSS-COUNTRY EVENT WON BY 'ENGLAND

London, March 24.

England won the International cross country race with 34 points: France 102; Scotland 105; Belgium 110; Wales 165; Northern Ireland, 228.

J. Holden, Tipton Harries, was first home.—Reuter.

HONG KONG BEAT CANTON IN SOCCER TRIAL

Preparations For Selection Of China's Olympic Team

Hong Kong defeated Canton by a goal scored by Lee Wai Tong in the first all-China soccer trial at Caroline Hill yesterday in preparation for the selection of players to represent China at the Far Eastern Olympiad in Manila next month.

The next trial game will be held in Canton on Saturday.

McHARDY'S GOOD DISPLAY

Chinese And Police Forwards Fail.

LEUNG BRILLIANT

(By OUTSIDE LEFT)

BOTH South China and the Police seemed under that end-of-the-season cloud. They did not appear to trouble whether the game was played or not.

Both goalkeepers played well but McHardy again being superb. He saved the Police during several dangerous situations the Chinese were on the verge of scoring on more than one occasion when the good "keeping" of McHardy kept them out.

A feature of the game was the fact that, while both defence played well both sets of forwards were very weak.

Stephens, at centre-forward for the Police, played well, but he did not distribute the ball sufficiently, Pile, on the right wing, being starved throughout the second half.

Leung Wing Chiu was the most formidable player on the Chinese said, his terrific shots at goal being only frustrated by McHardy's skill.

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Good Engineers' Defence

Lawlor and Alvis played well for the Service Corps against the Engineers, and Digby ,in the pivot position, showed occasional glimpses of brilliance.

The Engineers were well served in defence, Tucker and Hollingsworth being particularly outstanding.

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'Varsity Fail

A strong wind in the first half of the match gave the University the advantage over the R.A.F., but they could only score one goal, due mainly to poor shooting. The University were quick on the ball, but could not settle down against the heavier Air Force team. J. H. Too scored a brilliant goal for them late in the game.

HIGGINS FRUSTRATES NAVY ATTACK

Steans And Edminson Do Well.

SAILORS SHOULD HAVE WON

(By OUTSIDE LEFT)

THE excellent form displayed by the Navy should have won the day for them against the Lincolns, but despite repeated attacks they always encountered difficulty in passing Steans and Edminson, the soldier full-backs.

Without doubt the laurels of the match must go to Higgins in the Lincolns' goal. He played a masterly game throughout.

Lieut. Hocquard again played in fine style for his Regiment and displayed wonderful accuracy in centreing the ball from his wing position. The soldier forwards, however, did not reveal their best form, and his efforts were often unavailing.

Liddington and West, the Navy full backs, proved a formidable pair and the Lincolns had great difficulty in passing them. When they did succeed in doing this, however, Pepper, was very reliable in the Navy goal.

The Navy forwards displayed a masterly knowledge of tactics in the first half of the match and doubtless would have added further goals had it not been for the creditable display of Higgins.

NAVY RETAIN SHIELD

McNeill Scores Only Goal Of Game.

WEST INJURED AGAINST ARTILLERY

Wood Gives Masterly Display

The Royal Navy retained the Junior Soccer League Shield yesterday when they beat the Royal Artillery on the Club Ground yesterday afternoon by one goal to nil in the Final Round.

The Navy had the best of the game and deserved to win. They would undoubtedly have scored further goals had it not been for the masterly goalkeeping of Wood. Time and again he relieved serious situations.

The Royal Artillery fielded an excellent defence, but their forwards failed in the first half of the game. They greatly improved in the second half, but could not then overcome the very capable Navy defence.

The Navy swung the ball about, wasting no time in their passing movements, whereas the soldiers showed hesitation and lost many good opportunities.

Second Half Rally

The Artillery, however, staged a splendid recovery in the latter stages, and Leech was fully extended to save his charge, which he did in fine style.

Glass, the Navy centre-forward, played a great game, while Price and Clancy, the soldier full-backs, worked like trogans throughout to prove themselves the mainstay of the Artillery team.

Had Scott, in the left half position, received a little more support the Artillery might have reversed the result—he initiated many dangerous raids.

Stanley was about to shoot when he saw Wood leaving his charge, and passed to McNEILL, who was presented with an open goal.

The Navy scored the only of the game shortly before the interval, following a good centre from Chappell.

During an Artillery attack late in the second half West, the Navy centre-half, sustained a knee injury which forced him to leave the field.

After the game, Mrs. Fleetwood, wife of Captain Fleetwood presented the trophy and miniatures.

POOR PLAY AGAINST EAST LANCS

A. V. GOSANO BOTTLES UP MILITARY ATTACK

PENALTY MISSED

(BY SPOT KICK)

ST. Josephs regained the leadership of the premier soccer league championship when they defeated the East Lancs. by two clear goals in a disappointing game at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Neither side displayed a great deal of enthusiasm, the game, on the whole, being featureless, with the exception of the outstanding exhibition given by the indefatiguable A. V. Gosano.

The East Lancs forward line, after one or two brief flashes of brilliance at the commencement, collapsed sensationally. Opportunities which would normally have resulted in a goal seemed to present overwhelming difficulties to them when in the Saints area. Woods was the only dangerous foward to the Portuguese goal, and even his shooting was indifferent.

A V. Gosano was to a great extent responsible for the failure of the military attack, and Souza was very reliable in support. The Saints' wing halves, although doing well enough in holding up the attacks frequently failed to find their man with passes.

Beltrao, gave every support to his forwards, who, although decidedly better in front of goal than their opponents, lacked any real combination. B. Gosano showed brilliant flashes and executed several fast runs down the wing before flashing across several good centres with which Leonard was always a menace.

Goalkeepers Sound

Carroll and his halves put in some good hard work, which, however, proved of no avail. Harmsworth played well in goal, as did Marques, both custodians bringing off well-timed saves.

The Saints had not long to wait for their first goal, a nice run through by Rocha giving WARD an opportunity he accepted.

The Saints forwards were the most dangerous, giving Harmsworth many anxious moments, but he did exceptionally well until LEONARD got one past him after B. Gosano had beaten several players on a smart run down the wing.

Shortly after the start of the second half B. Gosano nearly sent the Saints further ahead as the result of magnificent solo effort from the half-way line—his shot, from outside the penalty-area, struck the upright.

At the other end, Woods, Smith and Horner were presented with wonderful opportunities, but they failed dismally.

A penalty-kick take by A. V. Gosano struck the cross-bar in the closing minutes.

East Lancs.—Harmsworth: Swain J. Gorman: Rothwell, Carroll, Walkden: Swain, L. Horner, Smith, Woods and Tuley.

St. Josephs:—R. Marques: A. V. Gosano, Souza: E. Marques, Beltrao, Elms: B. Gosano, Ward, Leonard, F. Rocha and Costa.

Saturday's Results And Goalscorers.

FIRST DIVISION

CLUB	4	KOWLOON	0
NAVY	2	LINCOLNS	2
POLICE	0	S. CHINA	1
ARTILLERY	0	BORDERERS	2

THIRD DIVISION

R.A.S.C.	2	ENGINEERS	1
R.A.F.	6	UNIVERSITY	2

League Tables To Date

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W.	D	L	Goals F	A	Pts
St. Joseph's	18	14	2	2	43	19	30
Borderers	17	14	0	3	57	21	28
Lincolns	19	13	2	4	50	23	28
South China	18	12	1	5	42	21	25
Navy	17	10	4	3	50	40	24
Club	18	8	1	9	46	51	17
Kowloon	19	7	2	10	34	55	16
East Lancs	18	6	2	10	23	42	14
Athletic	15	5	0	10	35	48	10
Police	17	4	2	11	21	34	10
Artillery	17	4	0	13	22	41	8
Recreio	18	1	2	15	18	64	4

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W.	D	L	Goals F	A	Pts
Lincolns	18	16	0	0	77	7	36
South China	17	11	2	4	33	23	24
Borderers	17	10	1	6	54	31	21
R.A.S.C.	16	8	4	4	25	24	20
Recreio	17	7	3	7	51	46	17
R.A.M.C.	18	6	4	8	31	37	16
Engineers	16	4	5	8	28	36	13
R.A.F.	18	5	2	11	32	37	12
Radio	16	2	4	10	12	46	8
University	16	0	3	13	13	69	3

GOAL SCORERS

FIRST DIVISION.

Howe (Club)	1
E. Strange (Club)	1
Fowler (Club)	1
Browne (Club)	1
Hazlewood (Borderers)	1
Duncan (Borderers)	1
Tay Quee-liang (S. China)	1
O'Donnell (Navy)	1
Malpass (Lincolns)	1
McGuinness (Lincolns)	1

THIRD DIVISION.

Foregard (R.A.F.)	2
Darby (Engineers)	1
Gormley (R.A.S.C.)	1
Vaughan (R.A.S.C.)	1
Tong Ling (University)	1
J. H. Too (University)	1
Petitt (R.A.F.)	1
Woollen (R.A.F.)	1
Page (R.A.F.)	1
Harris (R.A.F.)	1

Depleted Kowloon Side Disappoint

Pote-Hunt And Blake Shine

KOWLOON were without Bliss, who twisted his ankle playing badminton during the week, and Pope deputised in the game against the Club. Another absentee was Davies, who sailed for home on the same day by the s.s. Ranchi, and his place was filled by Humphries. Everest was injured in the first few minutes of the game, and was a passenger almost from the start.

The Club fielded the same eleven as that whith so decisively defeated South China last week. There were twice positional alterations however, Hill moving over to outside-left, and Baldwin partnering Syd Strange at back. Hall was a passenger also, limping from the start.

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The Club defence was very safe after the first few minutes, Strange and Baldwin clearing confidently, while the halves not only broke up the spasmodic Kowloon attacks, but played good constructive football. Pote-Hunt, in particular, was often conspicuous with perfect through pass.

The Club forwards took some time to settle down, and for the majority of the first half were hopelessly at sea. After the interval, however, they found their form and played a greatly improved game.

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Kowloon were not so impressive. Although they commenced better than their opponents, and their defence held out well until the interval, they cracked up afterwards. Elliott was ever quick on the mark, but received poor support.

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McKelvie, while doing a tremendous amount of valuable work in defence, was too far back to be of assistance to Elliott, except for an occasional through pass.

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With the exception of Blake, who played a splendid game on the left, the other forwards were weak with the inevitable result that there were few combined movements.—OUTSIDE LEFT.

Lawn Bowls

(Continued from Page 4.)

Too Heavy

Bradbury again drew well, trailed the jack, but unfortunately sent it off the green, so that that head was dead. He made amends on the next head, however, for with his two woods he converted a lay of four into six.

U. M. Omar played splendid bowls throughout the afternoon. It was typical of his play when he drew to second shot with his first wood, and then to first with his second, giving his rink a lay of three.

A. Razack's four were never in the picture, and the result of the match on the third rink was a fair indication of the run of the game. J. Hollidge's four played both well individually and as a rink, and the skip seldom failed to add to the good work of the other three.

C. S. Rosselet's four scored a needed six, to give them a good opportunity, which they converted into a win by seven shots.

When Rosselet bowled his last wood his rink were lying four up. Had he drawn well he would have converted the four into five and made the whole match a draw, but he was a shade narrow and the game ended with the Dockyard Club winning by one shot.

China Mail Sports Diary

TO-DAY

Golf.—
Royal Hong Kong Golf Club (Ladies' Section) L. G. U. monthly competition (New Course, Fanling).

Meetings.—
Hong Kong Football Association Council, 6.30 p.m.

Yachting—
Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's Third Exrta Race for Ladies (re-sail).

TO-MORROW

Athletics.—
Kowloon Junior School Annual Sports (Kowloon C.C. ground).

Hockey.—
Malaya v. Combined Services (King's Park, 5 p.m.)

Meetings:—
Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association Committee Meeting (Morning Post Board Room, 5.30 p.m.)

WEDNESDAY

Boxing.—
Area Sports Board Championships (Shamshuipo, 7.45 p.m.)

Hockey.—Caer Clark Cup.—
Hong Kong Ladies v. "Rest" (H.K.F.C. ground, 5.15 p.m.)
Hong Kong Hockey Club seniors v. "Incognitos," (5.15 p.m.)

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Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

Y. ABE,
Acting Manager.
Hong Kong, March 12, 1934.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter, 1853.

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Paid-up Capital £3,000,000
Reserve Fund £3,000,000
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Cebu	Madras	Taiping
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Harbin	Penang	Zamboanga
Hong Kong		

Foreign Exchange and General Banking business transacted.

Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

W. H. E. THOMAS,
Acting Manager.
Hong Kong, 20th February, 1934.

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Chief Manager.

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Kan Ying Po, Esq.

Kan Tong Po, Esq, Chief Manager.
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Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Loans granted on approved securities.

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KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 1st March, 1934.

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Calcutta	Lucerne	Southampton
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R. W. DUGGAN,
Manager.

COMMERCE AND FINANCE

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
T. T.	1/5¾
On demand	1/5¾
Four months' sight	1/5⅞
Credits 4 months' sight	1/6⅛
On New York—	
On demand	38¼
Credits 60 days' sight	39⅞
On Paris—	
On demand	577½
Credits 4 months' sight	617½
On India—	
T.T. and demand	98⅛
On Shanghai—	
On demand	110½
On Japan:—	
On demand	125
On Manila—	
On demand	75¾
On Singapore—	
On demand	63⅛
On Batavia—	
On demand	56
On Saigon—	
On demand	57¾
On Bangkok—	
On demand	125⅜
Sovereigns bank buying rate	1/6⅜
Bar Silver per oz.	19 15/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	nom.
Copper Cash	nom.
Copper Cents	1% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	3½% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	31¼% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	par.

SHARE MARKET.

The Official Summary of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange issued on Saturday at 12.30 p.m.

There was a slight recovery in Hotels and Trams this morning, the recent low level reached by both having apparently stimulated interest in these shares. The rest of the market was the usual Saturday morning one, with no change of any importance.

SALES.

Antamoks 73 cts.
Ewo Cottons Sh. $11.80.
Hong Kong Lands $66½.
Star Ferries $97.

BUYERS.

Union Insurances $575.
Underwriters $1.15.
Docks $15.
Hotels $5¾.
Realties $6.10.
Yaumati Ferries $24½.
China Lights (Old) $8.80.
Lane, Crawfords $4.
Constructions (New) 70 cts.

SELLERS

Ewo Cottons Sh. $11.80.
Cements (Old) $1.90.
Cements (New) $1.90.
H. K. Ropes $6.15.

AID FOR CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUNDS.

Excellent Support Reported.

NEW EQUIPMENT

Excellent support from the general public is disclosed in the first annual report of the Executive Committee of the Children's Playgrounds Association, which was issued on Saturday.

According to the report all the grounds controlled by the Association, with the exception of King's Park, are equipped with swings and seesaws, and for football, volleyball, and basketball.

The ground at Wanchai is used by nine schools and street children, with an average daily attendance of approximately 275.

At Blake Gardens approximately 100 children play daily, while five schools use the ground. At King's Park five schools and a very large number of children take part in games.

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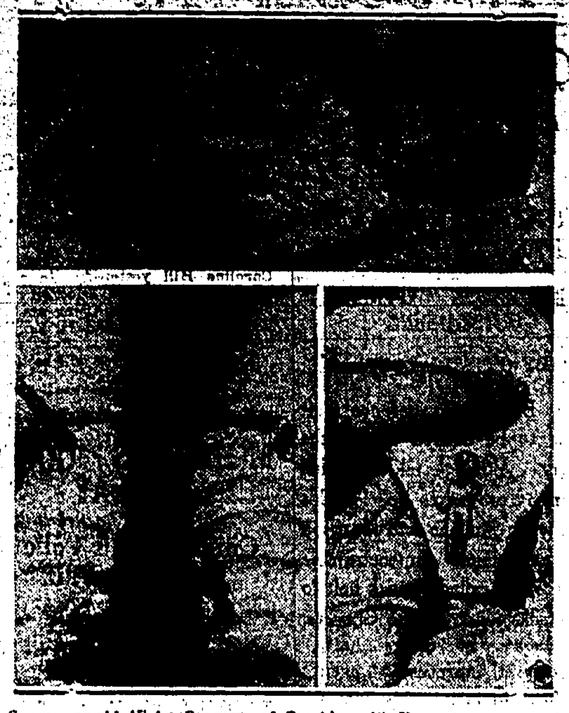
LEE FANG,
General Manager.

Doll Taken From Child's Lung



Seven-year-old Violet Stewart, of Brooklyn, N. Y., rests at ease at Greenpoint Hospital following the operation to remove a tiny doll from her lung, where it had reposed since she swallowed it a year ago. Below, left, an X-ray photo, showing the doll in the child's lung; at right, the toy after it had been removed by operation.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

En route from Harbin to Brazil, 284 Russian refugees of German origin will pass through Hong Kong on board the s.s. Porthos which is due here to-morrow. The refugees, who are reported to be Germans, who settled in Russia many years ago, are escorted by a representative of the Nansen Committee.

An automatic shot gun and two knives found on board the s.s. Anjou by Inspector Stimson yesterday, were estreated by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning.

Miss Leung Po-fan, residing at Water Cress Street, Shamshuipo, was the victim of a Chinese bag-snatcher last night. The accused was later arrested by Police.

Suffering from the effects of hanging himself on the hillside near Victoria Road yesterday, Yung Fook-chung, of 46 How Wo Street, has been removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

The R.M.S. Empress of Asia arrived at Nagasaki yesterday and left the same evening for Shanghai where she arrived this morning. She will leave Shanghai to-morrow evening for Hong Kong.

A General Meeting of the British Legion will be held at 5.15 p.m. on Monday, April 16, in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., in order to receive the report and accounts for the two years ended December 31, 1933, and to elect Officers, etc.

Charged with the theft of a purse, containing 70 cents, from the person of Ho Mun, a grass-cutter employed at the Dairy Farm, Pokfulum, Ko Chau-fan, unemployed, of No. 12, Third Street was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy this morning.

A fine of $50, in default a month's imprisonment, was imposed on Kwok Chung, by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning for keeping a gambling house at No. 90 Des Vœux Road Central. The bail of $3 each for 10 others, who were charged with gambling, and who did not appear in Court, was estreated.

Sentence of one month's hard labour was imposed on Lau Po-kee, unemployed, by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning, for the possession of a screw-driver for unlawful purpose at Ko Shing Street yesterday morning. Accused had a previous police conviction.

Mr. Tan Shih-lin of the Ministry of Railways, who is on a tour of inspection arrived in Tientsin last week from Nanking. Mr. Tan is expected to remain in North China for some time investigating the conditions of the various railway lines.

MRS. BAKER LEAVING HONG KONG.

Glowing Tributes From S.P.C.A.

HUMANE KILLERS DISCUSSED AT MEETING

At a Committee Meeting of the Hong Kong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, held on Thursday, the Chairman, Mr. Russell, expressed the heart-felt appreciation of the invaluable services that Mrs. R. Baker has, for so many years, rendered the Society.

Mr. Russell said that her approaching departure from the Colony was deeply regretted and hoped that Mrs. Baker would enjoy a pleasant journey home, and would be spared many years to continue the valuable work she is doing in the interests of Animals.

The Committee further considered the encouraging letters received from Religious bodies in the Colony, who have expressed the desire to co-operate in the Society's activities. This is considered to be of inestimable value to the Society in their work.

The question of the use of humane killers in the slaughter houses was discussed, and it is gratifying to mention that there is every possibility of their introduction at an early date.

ST. ANDREW'S VICAR.

Rev. Higgs Instituted By Bishop.

CHINESE WELCOME.

The Rev. James Robert Higgs, B.A., was instituted as Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, by the Bishop of Victoria, the Rt. Rev. Ronald Owen Hall, at a special induction service held yesterday morning.

The service was conducted by the Bishop, assisted by the Archdeacon, the very Rev. A. Swann.

The Vicar of the Chinese Church of All Saints, Kowloon, Rev. Tsang Ker-ngok handed a scroll of welcome to the new Vicar after his induction, on behalf of Chinese Christians of Kowloon.

Personal Pars.

Sub-Inspector John Stevenson Dick left for Home on Saturday by the steamer Ranchi on six months leave prior to retirement on pension after 20 years service in the Hong Kong Police Force.

The engagement is announced between Miss Doris May Cheetham, of Shanghai and Lieutenant Edward Ashley Brown, Royal Marines, of H.M.S. Berwick.

The wedding is announced to take place shortly of Mr. Dermot Francis Joseph MacDermot, of the British Embassy, Tokyo, to Miss Betty Caroline Pringle Steele, of 199, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

LOCAL DINNER TO ARCHBISHOP

New Apostolic Delegate To China.

BISHOP VALTORTA PRESENT

A dinner in honour of His Grace, Archbishop M. Zanin, newly appointed Apostolic Delegate to China, who is now in the Colony en route to Peking, was given by the Chinese Catholic Young Men's Society on Saturday night.

Among the many distinguished guests present at the function were the Rt. Rev. Henry Valtorta, Bishop of Leros and Vicar, Apostolic of Hong Kong, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Canazei, Vicar Apostolic of Shiu Chan, Father A. Riganti, Rector of St. Joseph's Church, Rev. Brother Matthias, Director of St. Joseph's College, Mr. H. Dixon, President of the Cathedral Section of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Mr. A. J. C. da Rocha, Secretary of the Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrement, Mr. L. A. Barton, Treasurer of the Society, Mr. A. Alvares, Mr. Simon Tse-yau, President of the Society, Mr. Robert Choa and Mr. A. Tse.

Others present included members of the Catholic Clergy who had come from outports and outdistricts to attend the function.

POLICE RESERVE.

Orders for the Current Week.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police.

Chinese Company

Inspection Parade.—All ranks of the Chinese Company will parade at Central Police Station for a general inspection by the Hon. Commissoner, Dr. S. W. Tso, LL.D., O.B.E., on Thursday, April 12. After inspection a Company Photograph will be taken. Fall in at 17.30 hours. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, and Belt with Brace.

Indian Company.

Commendation.—Constable R252 Shah Mohamed is commended by the Hon. Inspector General of Police for zeal displayed in arresting a Chinese youth who had snatched an ear-ring from a small Chinese girl. Defendant was subsequently sentenced to three months' detention in the Remand Home.

Training Course—Part II.—All recruits of the Indian Company residing in Kowloon will attend 3, Chi Woo Street, Kowloon on Wednesday, April 11, at 17.30 hours for instruction.

All recruits of the Indian Company residing at Hong Kong will attend Chinese Company Headquarters, 17, Queen's Road Central on Thursday, April 12 at 17.30 hours for instruction.

Flying Squad

Commendation.—Constable R308 W. A. Shea is commended and granted the meritorious service bar for zeal displayed in arresting a Chinese Male, Wong Pui for Larceny from the Person. Wong Pui was subsequently sentenced to one year Hard Labour. Case No. 6483.

Instructional Patrol.—The next instructional patrol for members of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Friday, April 13. Members will fall in at Central Police Station at 17.30 hours sharp. All members will attend. Dress—Blue Uniform and Cap with White Cover.

Emergency Unit Reserve.

Defendu.—A Defendu Class will take place on Friday, April 13. Members will fall in at No. 2 Police Station at 17.30 hours sharp. Dress—Optional.

Sgd. D. L. KING,
D.S.P. (R).

OBITUARY.

Mrs. V. M. Castro At Age Of 29.

The death occurred yesterday afternoon at the Kowloon Hospital of Mrs. Victoria Maria Castro, the wife of Mr. D. R. Castro, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company.

The deceased, who was formerly Miss V. M. Bobby, was 29 years of age.

The funeral will take place this afternoon, passing the Monument, Happy Valley, at 5.30 p.m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R.

SALE OF 40-FT. STEAM PINNACE No. 258.

TENDERS are invited up to the 18th April 1934 for the purchase of the above named vessel as she lies on the wall in the front of Boiler Shop in Naval Yard, Hong Kong.

Particulars of the vessel and conditions of sale, permits to view and copies of tender forms may be obtained on application to the Naval Store Officer, H.M. Dockyard, Hong Kong.

The vessel will be on view during working hours.

Tender will be received in the Office of the Naval Store Officer, H.M. Dockyard, Hong Kong, up to noon on 18th April, 1934.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO. (1918), LTD.

NOTICE.

MR. I. N. MURRAY, Deputy Manager, will act as Manager of the Company during the absence from the Colony on leave of Mr. D. W. Munton, Manager.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

NOEL BRAGA,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th April, 1934.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (Weather Permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 14th April, 1934, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be Rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

No One without a Badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at $5.00 for Gentlemen and $3.00 for Ladies. (Both including Tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of All Chits, &c.

The Secretary's office, 3rd Floor, Gloucester Building, (Tel. 27794), will close at 12 O'clock Noon.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

On No Pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered from the No. 1 Boy in advance. Telephone 21920.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is $2.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac Men, &c., will not be permitted to operate within the Precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 9th April, 1934.

THE HONG KONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 1, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong on THURSDAY, the 12th April, 1934, at noon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 6th April, 1934, to THURSDAY, the 12th April, 1934, Both Days inclusive, during which periods No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

H. DA LUZ,
Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 26th March, 1934.

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Engineering and Building

WORK OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERS

Difficulty In Defining Vocation

CO-OPERATION OF THREE SCIENCES

There seems to be a little doubt whether a chemical engineer should be defined as a chemist, who has turned engineer, or as an engineer, who has been converted into a chemist, without in each like bishops, suffering anything by the translation.

At the annual dinner of the Institution of Chemical Engineers, which was held at the Victoria Hotel, London, on Friday, February 16, under the presidency of Viscount Leverhulme, the Minister of Health, the Right Hon. Sir Edward Hilton Young, humorously called attention to this difficulty, and said while he felt he could have addressed an audience of chemists with confidence, and even one of engineers without being too greatly intimidated, he was fearful of attempting to speak to a combination of the two.

Perhaps this was because he had once been a chemists himself and had even for a time been connected with a company which had been formed with the object of extracting soda from the sands of Egypt.

The Institution, he added, was one of the good consequences of past evil, and the preference, which had been given to home-made petrol, was a recognition by the Government of the value of the work of chemical engineers. The work of the Alkali Inspectors of the Ministry of Health was also an example of co-operation between Government and industry to the benefit of both.

In replying to the toast of "Our Guests," proposed by Mr. W. Macnab, Lord Melchett said that through the ages public works had played a great part in our economic system, by giving it elasticity and helping in the absorption of surplus labour.

The extraction of oil from coal was an example of the way in which national policy could be related to private enterprise. In fact what was wanted was that the science of Government, the science of finance and the science of industry should work together.

RE-BUILDING CHAPEI DISTRICT

Big Construction Work Proceeding.

SHANGHAI ACTIVITY

Shanghai.

Many times you hear the question as to when Chapei will come back? The best way to answer the question is to go North on Honan Road into Paoshan Road. You will notice first the improved surface of the street itself and as you go on you will see evidence of new building on all sides.

Certainly the nearness of this section to the center of the city compells the present improvements. Improvements in Nantao continue apace with those in Chapei. The waterfront in Nantao is probably the most active and interesting.

New Building

A large building permit has been granted for the corner of Route de Say Zoong and Avenue Joffre, the plans are for an apartment house and 31 semi-foreign houses.

Another small apartment of three stories will be built on Rue Ratard, East of Cardinal Mercier.

A group of 16 Chinese hongs off Ferry Road, near Penang Road.

A large block of shops are being demolished at the corner of Peking and Tibet Roads. This will first provide for a necessary road widening and the new shops will add greatly to an important center.

Sales

A large tract of land consisting of 42 mow at the corner of Singapore and Kiaochow Roads at Tls. 20,000 per mow. This is reported to be part of the Municipal Park development.

Road Extension

For the extension of Liaoyang Road at a point near Kwenming Road, land has been surrendered without compensation.

HOUSES FOR 400 WORKERS

NEW TENEMENTS AT CLAPHAM

PEABODY TRUST'S SCHEME

London.

New blocks of working-class tenements to house between 300 and 400 people, are to be erected on the land now occupied by the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls at Clapham Junction, which will shortly be moved to Rickmansworth.

The site of 5¾ acres has recently been acquired by the Governors of the Peabody Donation Fund, the great philanthropic organisation, which by the end of 1933 had provided 7,357 healthy dwellings at low rents for working-class Londoners.

"We do not expect to take possession until about June," Mr. W. J. Agate, secretary of the Fund, recently "and the work of demolishing the present buildings will then begin at once. The new tenements, which will embody all the most recent improvements, such as are included in those now under construction for us in North Kensington, are likely to be ready for occupation some time in 1936."

Housed 24,000 People

In their report for 1933, the Governors of the Peabody Fund announce an aggregate capital expenditure on land and buildings of £2,709,480 14s 9d. A total of 18,301 rooms, besides laundries and lavatories, have provided housing for over 24,000 people. At North Kensington 144 more tenements will be available by the early summer, and another forty are to be provided at Shadwell.

The following table, published in the report, provides striking comparisons between the birth and death rates of dwellers in Peabody-buildings and in London as a whole.

1933	Peabody Estates	London
Birth rate per 1,000	12.28	13.1
Death rate per 1,000 ..	8.59	12.3
Infant mortality per 1,000	13.20	59.00

In addition to large gifts for educational purposes in his own country of America, Mr. George Peabody gave £500,000 for the erection of working-class houses in London. To Mr. Peabody's gifts were added further donations, making the total fund at the end of last year £2,827,195.

Mr. Peabody, who rose from an apprentice in a grocery store in America to head of one of the largest mercantile concerns in the world, declined Queen Victoria's offer of a baronetcy, but when he died in England in 1869 his body was taken to America by command of the Queen in a British warship.

The governors of the funds are the Duke of Devonshire (chairman), the American Ambassador, Viscount Astor, Lord Elphinstone, the Marquis of Hartington, Sir Eric Hambro, Mr. J. P. Morgan, Morgan, Mr. E. C. Grenfell, M. P., and Mr. C. G. Hamilton (honorary treasurer).

British Hunger Army Marching on London

Hunger-marching is still in vogue—in England, at any rate. Here is a contingent of paraders from Wales as it passed through Reading, en route to London, where the marchers won a victory in the House of Commons by securing a vote that a petition be received at the bar of the House.

Mme. Chiappe Attends Wounded

Even through the riot of Paris, patriotism was in part a reason to the dismissal of her husband, Jean Chiappe, by Premier Daladier, the wife of the deposed police chief of the French capital continued to visit wounded police wounded by the rioters. She is shown above, greeting victims at the Paris Police Hospital.

ENGINE BUILDING IMPROVEMENT

Increasing Business In Lancashire

The improvement in locomotive building circles which commenced in that late weeks of last year, is maintained, and Messrs. Vulcan Foundry Limited, Newton-le-Willows, Lancashire, who are busy on the construction of 50 mixed-traffic locomotives for the London Midland and Scottish Railway Company, have strengthened their order book with contracts from the Indian State Railway for three engines, and from another Indian railway for five locomotive boilers.

At the London Midland and Scottish Railway Company's wagon works at Earlestown, additional men have recently been engaged in the spring shops to cope with increasing business.

Messrs. Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Company, Limited, Trafford Park, Manchester, have, it is announced, received an extensive order for electrical plant from Messrs. The Anglo-Transvaal Consolidated Investment Company. The contract is stated to amount to approximately £100,000. Electrical-plant manufacturers, and also machine-tool makers in this area are hoping to secure new business, following the signing of the Anglo-Russian trading agreement.

TOUR FOR YOUNG METALLURGISTS

Brussels Establishments To Be Visited

Particulars of the first educational tour organised by the Institute of Metals have recently been issued. The tour will take place in Belgium from April 8 to April 14, between which dates student members will have an opportunity of visting six large metallurgical establishments and of seeing something of Brussels, including its University, and Bruges.

UNIQUE BUILDING IN SHANGHAI

"Functionism" Theme Of Design.

YAFA COURT APARTMENTS

An unique and up-to-date apartment house, to be known as the Yafa Court, is nearing its completion at the corner of Route Maresca and Rue Pere Huc.

This apartment building, together with two modern residences are located among very quiet and exclusive surroundings and yet within easy reach of bus and tram car facilities. It is now open for inspection and work is being speeded up so that it will be ready for occupancy on April, 1934.

The apartment dwelling was created after months of planning and careful consideration of the specific needs of a discriminating class of tenants who appreciate exclusiveness, spaciousness, light, air and sunshine.

The building is designed in the new "International Style of Architecture" in which "functionism" pervades. Its broadness of lines and space, simplicity of surface and details and dignified appearance, lend it a predominating atmosphere of frankness in its expression of construction and utility. The interiors are designed along simple modern lines which renders possible full play for the expression of individual taste.

High-Grade Materials Used

The building is entirely constructed of reinforced concrete and high-grade materials, providing a thoughtful arrangement of windows and balconies affording the maximum amount of light, air and sunshine and there are no internal or external frills and unnecessary built-up ornaments, thus eliminating dust collecting surfaces.

£4,600,000 TASK FOR BRITISH FIRM

Fitting Air Brakes To Poland's Trains

A British firm has just signed a preliminary agreement with representatives of the Ministries of Finance and Communications in Warsaw for a £4,642,857 contract.

It is for the manufacture and installation of a continuous brake system on thousands of Polish goods trucks.

Final details of the negotiations will not be completed, states an official of the Westinghouse Brake and Saxby Signal Company for another six months.

Fixing The Contract

He said: "Our experts are over in Poland studying the 101 varieties that will have to be coped with before a start can be made to fit these air brakes to the thousands of freight train wagons.

"When they have returned and reported the contract will be finally drawn up.

"The installation work will take six years to complete.

"Many of the parts necessary will be manufactured here and the rest in Poland.

"Obviously this scheme will provide considerable additional employment."

300 M.P.H. TRAIN PLANNED

To Be Driven By Propellors

A Mono-Rail railway train, held up-right on its single rail by giant gyroscopes, and capable of a speed of 300 miles an hour, has been designed by Herr Raymon C. Büchardt, a German engineer.

The proposed train will be driven by two large airplane propellers at the back of the car, and held steady at high speeds by airplane-type "fins" and a rudder. Streamlining will cut down air resistance to a minimum.

The track will consist of a single rail which when passing through towns, would be raised high in the air on concrete supports.

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LONGEST BRIDGE IN WORLD

British Tenders For Lisbon Structure

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Bisbon.

British tenders are being requested for the construction of the longest bridge in the world.

The bridge will stretch for 6½ miles across the Tagus a mile east of Lisbon—more than 4 times the length of the Forth Bridge.

The nearest bridge is at present right up river at Vendas Novas, and the produce of the rich providences of South Portugal has either to make this long detour or else be transported across the estuary by boat.

Forms of contract in English, French, and German are being drawn up by the Ministry of Public Works and Communications in readiness for the acceptance of the other country than Great Britain. The estimated cost of the bridge is £3,000,000.

It will carry a railway line, and a wide roadway with room for fast and slow traffic in either direction.

The Minister of Public Works calculates that the new bridge should serve for the transport of 700,000 tons of goods every year.

It is expected to revolutionise the development of Portugal.—Reuter.

NEW POWER HOUSE FOR CANTON

$170,000 Scheme To Start Soon

Canton.

The Provincial Department of Reconstruction, which has been pushing industrial undertakings in Kwangtung, has decided to establish another electric power house here.

A site near the Sai Chuen cement works, which has an area of 7,000 square feet, has been chosen as a suitable place for the erection of the power house.

It is understood that the new project will be completed in five months and will cost $170,0000. Work on the power house, it is stated, will commence shortly.

Replacing City Rectories

Scheme To Build Flats Outside London

HOSTEL AS ALTERNATIVE

London.

Many City rectors who at present are compelled to live several miles away from their parishes may soon be provided with flats within the City.

An ecclesiastical authority said recently.

"Most of the City rectories are far too large for the incumbents to be able to afford their upkeep, and a proposal is now under consideration that one or more of them should be converted into flats for the use of several rectors.

"The difficulty is, however, that most of the rectories are let out as offices.

"Any incumbent may let his rectory on a half-yearly tenancy without consulting the bishop, but most of the rectories are let on longer leases with the approval of the bishop, the patron and other parties concerned.

"Hence many rectors have to live well out-side the City. There is now a growing wish that they should live nearer to their parishes.

"An alternative proposals is to purchase two or three houses in Charterhouse-square, which have recently been used as a hostel. The aid of the Ecclesiastical Commission may be sought in connection with the scheme.

"These houses would provide about eight flats as well as a common hall that could be used for parochial purposes.

"An essential feature of either scheme will be to ensure that the rentals are within the means of the incumbents."

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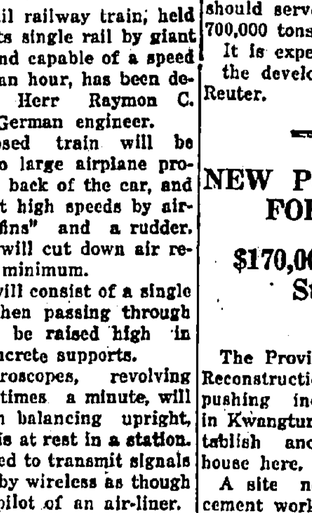

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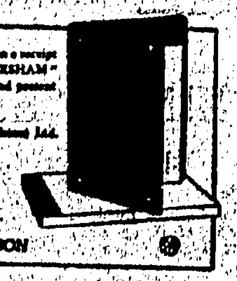

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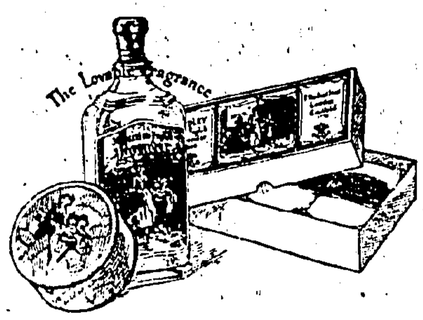

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Hong Kong, Monday, April 9, 1934.

A New Avenue To Disarmament.

The moment is manifestly critical in the Disarmament negotiations, for the French reply to the British Memorandum is expected to mark the close of a chapter in these long negotiations. But, however disappointing the French "non possumus" may be, the British Government do not mean to accept the fatalistic conclusion that they are thereby absolved from the duty of further effort. On the contrary, Mr. Baldwin has bravely declared that this should be the moment from "redoubling our efforts to get a Convention" by other means and methods, if those of the revised plan should definitely miscarry. It has been suggested that Britain should separate the military problem of Disarmament from the Air problem. That would be just as feasible as the separation of the military from the naval, which was recognised to be necessary from the outset. The British Government would then, ex hypothesi, accept the impossibility of reconciling the French and German attitudes to Disarmament by regulated reduction on the one side, and regulated rearmament on the other, and they would proceed to a new attempt on the broad lines of the Italian plan. This differed from the British chiefly in this, that France should be asked to accept the limitation of her effectives and material of all kinds to their present figure, while Germany would be allowed a regulated re-armament up to an agreed figure. Signor Mussolini holds that such a proposal would be much easier for France to accept, though there should be no illusions as to the difficulties which both France and Germany would find in reaching agreement even on that basis. The British view would naturally be that any limitation is better than none. Simultaneously, whether this produced good results or not, the British Government would concentrate their new endeavours upon securing an Air Convention between the nations of Western Europe. The basis would be that parity in air strength which Mr. Baldwin is convinced is absolutely essential to the establishment of any sense of security against air attack and to the removal of all temptation to surprise attack. There can be no suggestion of Great Britain acquiescing in her present air inferiority, and presumably the Government would renew the proposal to limit the number of machines to 500 each. The greatest difficulty arises in respect of Soviet Russia. To leave her out of such a Convention seems impossible, for Russia's air strength neither could nor would be safely omitted from the calculations of the Reich. Moscow's present pre-occupations may be deeply engaged with her Far Eastern boundaries, but she also has a whole range of windows looking towards Europe. If this major difficulty can be surmounted, it would obviously be an incalculable advance if the great Western Powers were to enter into conference with the express purpose of saving "European civilisation" from being bombed to destruction by the latest engines of European scientific inventon.

French Quota Dispute.

The British Government was reluctantly forced to take action in retaliation for the refusal of the French Government to restore fully the import quotas for British goods, and a duty of 20 per cent. *ad valorem*, over and above the existing Customs duties, is now levied on certain classes of French goods entering Britain. The Order imposing the new duty has been framed with the intention of erecting a reduction of imports from France as nearly as possible equivalent to the reduction of British exports to France caused by the present differentiating quota restrictions. After the suspension of the gold standard in Britain the French Government imposed a 15 per cent. exchange surtax on goods imported from the United Kingdom. In principle the surtax was imposed in order to compensate for the advantage which the depreciation of sterling gave to the British manufacturer. The principle was not applied with equal rigour to other countries with depreciated currencies, and there were strong protests against the surtax; but they were not pressed home until towards the end of last year. Then the French Government agreed that, as from January 1, it should be suppressed. Almost immediately, however, fresh import restrictions were announced. For the first quarter of 1934 the amount of the existing quotas was reduced to 25 per cent. and the quota system was applied, with a corresponding reduction, to a large number of goods not previously under quota control. Similar restrictions had been applied to other countries, but soon afterwards the quotas for American and Belgian goods were raised to 100 per cent., so that there was discrimination against this country. After protests had been made the French Government undertook—on January 10—to restore 100 per cent. quotas for a "very abundant" list of British goods. But when the list was examined it was found that for most classes of cotton goods the quotas remained at 25 per cent. For various other categories the quotas were raised only to 75 per cent. The British Government could not accept the discrimination in favour of American and Belgian goods and the retaliatory action is the result. This is the lamentable pass to which Anglo-French economic relations have come at a time when French imports from Britain have shrunk in value from 3,724,000,000f. in 1931 to 1,832,000,000f. in 1933 and French exports to the United Kingdom from 5,043,000,000f. to 1,829,000,000f. It has been agreed on both sides for some time past that a new agreement for the regulation of economic relations is needed to supersede the agreement of 1882. The negotiations for a settlement of the dispute have made little progress so far, but hopes of agreement are still held.

HERE, THERE, and EVERYWHERE

Kaleidoscope At Cowes

Adopting a suggestion made at a meeting of the Yacht Racing Association, the owners of the big yachts have decided to paint their craft in distinguishing colours.

Last year all the big yachts except the Britannia were painted white above water. Only experts could tell one from another.

This year the Britannia will retain her black topsides and copper under-body.

But the Endeavour, the new challenger for the America's Cup, will be pale hydrangea blue, and the Shamrock will revert to an appropriate emerald green.

The Candida will be a soft grey, the colour of a herring-gull's back, and the Astra a pale jade green.

Only the Velsheda will remain white.

Both from the practical and the aesthetic points of view this innovation will be a boon to the landlubbers.

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Catholic Diplomat

Mr. Cecil Dormer, who has been appointed British Minister to Norway, is a Roman Catholic, like so many successful diplomats. He spent four years as secretary of the Legation at the Vatican.

His other posts have been less congenial.

Caracas, Tokyo, and Bangkok are capitals which involve definite exile for prolonged periods, although Mr. Dormer must have enjoyed the shooting in Siam, where he has been Minister for the last four years.

He is a tall, thin man, with dark hair and a moustache. He prefers a country existence to the atmosphere of courts.

His wife is the eldest of Lord Denbigh's seven daughters. She, too, is a Roman Catholic, and has a sister who is a nun.

Your Daily Smile.

PINCHED

A judge rules that a slap on the back is merely a "hail-fellow-well-met" action. Detectives have other ideas about this.

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A Tale of a Melon

Mrs. Newly-Rich was giving her order to her fruiterer from the door of her car, and the fruiterer in an effort to help her selection remarked, "We have some beautiful melons to-day, madam."

Mrs. Newly-Rich regarded the melons thoughtfully as she replied with a slight shiver, "No, I never liked melons. They make my ears so cold!"

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To-day's Short Story

"Heaven keep you, darling," he said. "I can't."

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POINTS OF VIEW

"The modern young married couple take a long time to settle down," says a vicar. They also take a long time to settle up, adds a tradesman.

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Last Week's Prize Headline

"Ship blown on rocks by gals."

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

I've wasted a whole evening thinking . . . I read that a woman in Buffalo shot her husband because she didn't like him.

I've wasted a whole evening thinking. . . . And for the life of me I can't think of a better reason for shooting any one.

ROBERT CLIVE OF INDIA

HE DARED TO REIGN AND RULE

DID HE TOIL IN VAIN?

(By the Rt. Hon. Winston S. Churchill.)

London.

The fact that so many people view the maintenance of the British Empire in India with indifference, and treat the future greatness of our country as an open question, has in its reaction aroused a keen study of history and a popular interest in the founders of our great Dominion. Many books and now a well-presented drama have turned men's minds to Clive, his prowess, his achievements, his character, and, of course, his faults.

His qualities were rare. Clive never truckled to his superiors; he never waited for authority. He created British India by a power of crisp, independent decision.

India at that time was controlled by a court of directors in London—a cautious board of business men, most of whom had never been to India; a stingy board, which cut down salaries so low that its servants were compelled to take bribes in order to live; a weak board, too timid to delegate its authority or even to put one man in charge of the East India Company's business. Their methods were rapidly losing India to the French.

From Clerk To Soldier

Clive arrived in India a penniless clerk. He had been a bad boy at school and had little education. His parents devoutly hoped they had seen the last of him for many years. The one possible friend to whom he had a letter of introduction had left India before he arrived. His lodgings were abominable, his pay a pittance; the future was dreary. Twice he tried to blow out his brains, and twice the pistol missed fire.

From this despondency he was rescued by the great perils in which the entire English community in Madras were plunged. In an emergency he became a soldier. He was utterly reckless of his life; stories of his bravery spread far and wide among the natives, and he became the idol of his Sepoys. He was promoted captain, and then, at twenty-five, his chance came.

The French faction in the Carnatic, urged on by the capable, crafty Dupleix, were besieging Trichinopoly. Clive broke the siege by a counter-attack. With five hundred men he struck at Arcot, the English capital of the Carnatic. His tiny force, marching on through a tremendous thunder-storm, found the fortress undefended. They seized and held the place, a circuit of over a mile of crumbling walls, for fifty days against the whole power of the Carnatic.

Romantic Marriage

The defence of Arcot is a military epic. It was also a masterstroke of strategy. The diversion enabled Trichinopoly to hold out. When the last formidable assault upon the breaches at Arcot had been repulsed Clive's fame was made.

At this moment also the romance of his life began. A friend had shown him the picture of an English girl, his sister, Margaret Maskelyn. Clive had said at once, "Make her come out here, and I will marry her." When she started he was but a struggling clerk; when she arrived he was the hero of the day. They were married amid his triumphs.

When they came home together he had already a considerable fortune. He was received with much honour; he was rewarded and toasted by the directors he despised. Already they called him "General" Clive. His stay in England was unprosperous. He soon squandered his money; his parliamentary ambitions were frustrated; his election to Parliament which he had contrived at great expense, was set aside on petition.

But at the moment when England frowned India beckoned. The tide of war had flowed against the Company; Calcutta had fallen; the horror of the Black Hole filled all minds. Surajah Dowlah, the ruler of Bengal, had perpetrated the most fearful atrocity which Europeans in India have yet suffered. At Madras even the most sluggish officials were calling out for a man of action, and now the man had arrived. At the age of thirty-two Clive became Commander-in-Chief of the expedition to Bengal.

Audacious Campaigns

His campaign was waged by Eastern methods. Intrigue was mingled with audacity, and both were carried to amazing extremes. He seduced Surajah Dowlah's leading general, Mir Jaffeir, by the offer of his master's throne. The traitor undertook to desert to the English side before the battle. When Mir Jaffeir's courage failed him at the last moment, the odds against Clive were nearly twenty to one. After an intense convulsion of soul he staked all upon immediate, resolute attack.

He had barely a thousand Englishmen and two or three thousand Sepoys. Sixty thousand Oriental warriors drew up under the standards of Surajah Dowlah. In a few hours the great host of Bengal was routed. Plassy was an almost bloodless victory. Surajah Dowlah was deposed and soon executed. Mir Jaffeir, placed upon the throne, poured the wealth of Bengal into the lap of the conquerors.

Honours and money were heaped upon Clive. He became virtually ruler of all Bengal. Mir Jaffeir presented him with £200,000 and subsequently with an annual life pension of nearly £30,000.

In this period of crisis the medicine required to heal the disorders of India was energy. Clive was its embodiment. Without delay or consultation he attacked in turn the Northern Sirkars and the Dutch, with whom England was at peace.

"Heaven-Born" General

He chose to act even in the greatest matters on his own initiative, without the customary reference to London, happily many months distant. In everything he took the responsibility—for mistakes as well as successes. But his superiors in London were treated with outspoken contempt. The star of England in the East rose with his own bounding fortunes.

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NEW STRATOSPHERE FLIGHT PLANNED

U.S. Marine Officers To Make Second Trip.

15-MILE HEIGHT OBJECTIVE

Washington.

A new balloon flight into the upper reaches of the atmosphere, possibly to the unprecedented height of 15 miles, is being considered by Major Chester L. Fordney of the Marine Corps and Lieutenant Commander Settle of the U.S. Navy.

The two recently reached 61,237 feet in a balloon which landed finally in a New Jersey marsh.

A higher record has been claimed by Soviet fliers, but their instrument readings were not submitted to the International Aeronautical Federation, and the Settle-Fordney altitude stands as the peak attained by *man*.

In their first flight Settle and Fordney had a balloon of 600,000 cubic feet capacity. They believe that 15 miles could be reached with a bag of 1,500,000 cubic feet.

Major Fordney says one of the most important aims would be penetration of the so-called ozone layer. This layer, once computed to be 35 miles above the earth, has been placed somewhat lower by more recent calculations.

Fordney believes a 15 mile flight might pierce it and provide observations of vast benefit in future weather forecasting.—Reuter.

ESTATE CLAIM DISPUTE

Adopted Son's Status Queried.

TWO CONCUBINES INVOLVED

Claiming to be legal concubines of Lo Wai Chuen, who died on November 28, 1932, leaving local estate valued at $20,000, Ling Cheung Hong and Wong So Cha, of 8 Shing Ping Street, disputed the priority of Lo Pak-wa, the adopted son, of 94 Queen's Road West, in an application for the grant of letters of administration before the Chief Justice, Mr. A. D. A. MacGregor, at the Supreme Court this morning.

Mr. Hin Shing-lo, instructed by Mr. G. Ford, was for the plaintiffs, and Mr. F. H. Loseby held a watching brief on behalf of the defendant.

In presenting his case Mr. Hin Shing-lo submitted that his clients were entitled to the grant, both from point of Chinese customs and from law.

If the plaintiffs could satisfy the Court that they were really the *chip sze* or concubines of the deceased then their claim was justified, Mr. Hin contended. He said that the plaintiffs denied that the defendant was the adopted son.

It was stated the *kit jat* wife of the deceased died without issue, and in 1919 the first plaintiff was brought in. Later the second plaintiff was also taken as a concubine. In both cases the plaintiffs performed the customary duties of a legal concubine in serving tea to the senior members of the family, and counsel submitted that a ceremony was not essential for proving their status.

The first concubine, who was originally mentioned as a plaintiff, died shortly before action was taken, said Mr. Hin Shing-lo.

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Evidence was then given by the first plaintiff, Ling Cheung Hong, who said that she was taken into the deceased's home as his second concubine. Her mother had received $1,000 from the deceased, and she had then been taken away from her own home by the deceased.

At his home she performed the customary duties of serving tea to the principal members of the family and lived in the home for 16 years.

The case is proceeding.

European Leaves $29,200.

Letters of administration for the local estate, amounting to $29,200, of the late Charles Arthur Sebastian Smith, retired major, who died on November 18, 1933, at 26 Philbench Gardens, Earl's Court, Middlessex, have been granted to William Alfred Weight, of Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son, Limited.

N.R.A. ATTACK

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JOHNSON WILLING TO LET LICENSING POWER EXPIRE

Washington, April 3.

General Hugh S. Johnson, the administrator, said to-day he would be satisfied to let the licensing power of the National Recovery Administration expire at the end of June rather than re-open the law to amendments by congress.

It has been indicated officially to ask congress to renew his power that President Roosevelt was ready to permit him to require licenses to operate business establishments under the N.R.A. codes.—Associated Press

AMAH GAOLED FOR THEFT OF CLOTHES

An amah, Wong Chan, pleaded guilty to the theft of clothing and two finger rings from her employer, Mr. Lai Kiu of 59, Wanchai Road, and was sentenced to one month's imprisonment by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

A Petition that the "Kimigayo" should be sung before the Diet proceeds with its daily business has been submitted to the House of Representatives by Mr. Maju Norisugi, director of the Tokyo Musical Academy.

Princess Royal.

A charming portrait study of Princess Josephine, six-year-old daughter of the new rulers of Belgium, King Leopold III and Queen Astrid. As the child was intensely fond of her grandfather, King Albert, news of his tragic death has been kept from the little princess.

U.S. MINING TALKS THIS WEEK.

Effort To Liberalise Securities Act.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1891. Received April 9, 8.22 a.m.)

Washington, To-day.

Representatives of the Western mining States and officials of the Federal Trade Commission will confer this week in an effort to liberalise the Securities Act in connection with the issuance of mining securities.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

SOVIET BOOKS FOR ESKIMOS.

Volumes Printed In 15 Languages.

Leningrad.

Books for Eskimos are being published in Leningrad this year.

Altogether, volumes in 15 different languages are being produced here for the benefit of the people of the Far North. Eskimo and Tchoukhtchi are among those languages.

The greater number of the books are dictionaries, books for the use of schoolmasters and for adults education themselves. The Northern peoples are to receive 163,000 copies of books this year, compared with 90,000 in 1933.—Reuter.

GERMANY BLAMED BY CREDITORS

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EXTENSION PLANS AT BASLE.

Bank Of International Settlements.

Basle, To-day.

Plans for increasing the usefulness of the Bank of International Settlements were considered at the meeting of the governing body, yesterday. For example, making it a clearing house for international postal and telegraph relations and international railway accounts.

It is understood that there is a possibility of Canada and New Zealand becoming shareholders in the Bank when their currencies are stabilised.—Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR STEADY.

Silver Prices Decline.

The local remains steady, opening on demand to-day at 1/5¾.

Spot and forward silver prices declined 1/16 on Saturday, closing prices being 19 15/16 and 20.00 respectively.

The London on New York cross rate closed on Saturday at £-U.S. $5.16¾ as compared with £-U.S. $5.15½ on Friday, while the New York on London rate, quoted on Friday at £-U.S.$5.16⅝, yesterday closed at £-U.S.$5.16.

SIAM ROYALTIES IN PARIS.

Visiting London Next Week.

London, To-day.

Their Majesties, the King and Queen of Siam yesterday visited the Palace of Versailles, including the Hall of Mirrors, where the Peace Treaty was signed.

The King and Queen of Siam, whose official visit to Paris ended with a luncheon at the Siamese Embassy, on Saturday, will remain in France for another 10 days, incognito, and will then proceed to London, where they will stay for five weeks.—Reuter.

ENGINEER THAWS DYNAMITE.

Recovering In Hospital.

Prague.

The chief engineer of a mine at Trofaiach entered his handsome villa and put three sticks of frozen dynamite on a stove to get warm.

One wall of the house is still standing. The man is recovering in hospital.—Reuter.

Spanish Stirred By Rumour That Nazis Are Arming African Revolt

Madrid, April 3.

Reports that German Nazis had armed an expedition to aid rebellious North African tribes caused an international stir today as Spanish troops were ordered to occupy the district of Ifni.

This is part of Spanish Morocco bordering on the Rio de Oro and French Morocco, and has been the scene of forays by warlike Moors against the French.

Paris dispatches said the report of the alleged Nazi expedition had caused France to warn military outposts in North Africa to be on the alert. Spanish authorities were asked to guard against the landing of a shipload of munitions in charge of 10 Nazi troopers, supposedly en-route from Rotterdam on the steamer Optimist.

Spanish government authorities doubted the truth of this report that German munitions were being sent to the isolated area but declared troops were prepared to prevent the landing.

They expressed the opinion that occupation of the Ifni region would be effected shortly by Spanish African legionaires and regulars. Several warships are taking positions along the coast to be ready when the troops, aided by aviators, enter the region planning to establish a garrison at Ifni.

The authorities said they believed the Spanish troops would occupy most of the territory without firing but the troops have been prepared for an eventuality and supplied with artillery.

Army, navy and air forces were reported here to have been ordered to the region where the alleged arms running ship was reported to be headed. The newspaper *El Sol* printed a report based on Paris and London dispatches that gun smugglers sponsored by Germans were supplying arms to anti-French tribes whose rendezvous is at Ifni.

Sultan Merebbi Rebbo was said to have used Ifni as his base of operations against the French. He recently surrendered to the Spanish garrison at Cape Juby but a brother was reported to be still active against the French, operating from the Spanish possession.

Ifni, a small Spanish district including a seacoast town of the name, is just north of the Rio de Oro and is surrounded by French Moroccan territory. It is in the same latitude as the Canary Islands. —Associated Press.

To-day's Short Story.

CALAMITY

By John Talland.

"WELL that's that!" concluded Mat Finnigan, taking a cigarette from his pocket and thrusting it between his thin lower lip and yellow upper teeth. "How you feelin', Young 'Un?"

Young Mat smiled the sophisticated smile of the habitual and hardened criminal. At nineteen he felt as old, as experienced, as tough as any of his father's associates.

His answer: Don't you worry 'bout *me*," was uttered in tones affected to inspire full confidence.

He was down for a tenth share of the haul—assessed at £30,000—for his part of the adventure which had just been discussed and rehearsed, as far as possible, by the conference sitting in the banana ripening cellar of Finnigan and Son, banana merchants.

"I'll do my little bit all right—if you'll do yours!" and he ejected a thin jet of spittle from between his teeth in the most skilful manner. His defiant stare was perhaps directed more at Ikey Mo than the others. That nondescript took it as a personal challenge. His eyes narrowed to thin slits.

"You let us down," he piped in his shrill falsetto, "an' see what happens! We made these arrangements perfect we 'ave—an' if they fail 'cos o' you—gettin' chicken-eartcd or somethin' "—he tapped his bulging pocket significantly and finished—"I'll wring yer neck with me own 'ands!"

"Shut it off!" interposed Louis Brant, glowering from beneath his heavy eyebrows. "The Young 'Un's all right. What you wanna start a row about now? You feelin' all right, aren't you, Mat?" he concluded anxiously.

"Listen here," said Young Mat vehemently to the assembly. "I'm in with you, and I'm only sorry I'm not allowed in the job—on the spot—see? I'd show you somethin' then! I've worked with you before, haven't I? Ever known me scared?" His eyes flashed as he spoke.

"Well, that's that," drawled Mat Finnigan, senior, again. "Let's get these points fixed right. You, Fred, have got to have that airplane of yours all fixed up, full of juice (don't forget that!) and behind those trees about a mile off the main road where we'll be. Keep her ready to kick off at any moment in case we're followed.

"Louis and Ikey Mo an' me 'ull be just on the bend where we worked and fixed the 'phone. Ikey 'ull drive the wagon, and we'll be drawn up in the side turning with the rear of the wagon facing the road so I can get the gun facing the roadway. Louis 'ull be by the roadside out of sight with the smoke bombs.

"Now all depends on the Young 'Un. We've given him the responsible job. He's got to watch them discharging the stuff from the ship. They'll get it out and away in two blinks of yer eye. We know it's going up to London by road, and it's certain that, besides the double guard with the driver, there's going to be a police car. We know that. What the stuff will be—the bullion—I don't know, but I've got it straight that it's in cases, and it's worth over thirty thousand quid.

"Now from the ship to the place we've chosen is fifteen and a-half miles. If those cars average more than thirty miles an hour it'll be a wonder. So from the minute the Young 'Un gives us the tip they're away we'll have just about half an hour to get set and ready for 'em!

"Mat, I'll give you a test call 'ere on the 'phone about an hour after we leave, and then we'll hold the line between us until I get your report. You'll have plenty of time then to get out and down to the ship and keep us posted. Get all the information you can. But mind this! What we want to know most important is: which car is first—the police car or the doings. Get that in your nut! The exact time they leave—and which car is first! You ought to be back here with the news within a couple of minutes of them getting away.

"Now I'm banking the police car will lead—as a pilot. They'll travel fast. When they're nearly due we'll let off the first smoke bomb in the ditch on the windward side of the road. That'll blow the smoke across an' make a screen. The place being on a bend in the road, they'll slow up. Then we'll let the police car get away—if it's first—the road being bendy they'll get some way before they see they're not followed—and we'll bag the second—on the other side of the smoke screen.

"In any case—we're going to get that stuff—if I have to turn the machine-gun on both cars. It don't matter to me if I swing for one or six. But I'm not swinging—nor are any of us! This is going to be easy—take it from me! In Chicago Louis and me put it across 'em in the Street—outside the Bank. This is a picnic compared to that. Ain't it, Louis?"

Louis Brant smiled enigmatically and waved his dark head from side to side in complete agreement. He was seated, as were the others, on an upturned box. All around were the yellow bunches of bananas, hanging suspended by strings from the ceiling. The atmosphere, hot and dry from excessive gas-heating, had made him thirsty, and he eyed with longing the bottle of whisky which stood beside Mat Finnigan's box. But it was not to be touched yet! He knew how wise was the edict that had been issued. No drinks until the last moment, and then not too much. With a powerful wrench he broke off a banana from the bunch that jogged his elbow. He peeled it deliberately and flung away the skin.

"As easy as eating fruit," he mumbled, grinning, with mouth overfull.

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TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "All Fools' Court," by Lloyd Hooper.

LOTTERY TICKETS CHARGES.

Two Offenders

For the possession of 27 lottery tickets in Stanton Street yesterday, Yiu Chat was fined $30, in default three weeks' hard labour, by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning.

The $50 bail of Lam Ho, who was also charged for being in possession of lottery tickets, was estreated for non-appearance in court.

LEAD STOLEN FROM TELEPHONE CO.

Electrician Fined.

Pleading guilty to the stealing of 27 pieces of lead, valued at $10, the property of the Hong Kong Telephone Company, Ng Tim, an electrician, was fined $30, in default three weeks' hard labour, by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. W. G. Griffin, of the staff of the Hong Kong Telephone Company, was in Court, and Detective Sergeant Guild prosecuted.

"NO KNOWLEDGE OF VANDALISM."

Mr. Roe And C.I.D. Uninformed.

The Sanitary Department state that they have no knowledge that acts of vandalism have been committed at the Happy Valley Cemetery.

Questioned this afternoon Mr. C. J. Roe, Secretary of the Sanitary Department, stated that if any complaints were made they would come through his Office.

Inquiries at the Criminal Investigation Department also failed to substantiate the reports of acts of vandalism.

April 8 has been fixed as the date for the memorial service to be held by Chinese community in Shanghai for the late Dr. C. C. Wu, former Chinese Minister in Washington, and a member of the C.E.C., who died recently in the Colony. According to a decision reached by Chinese bodies, the service will be held in the Huchow Residents' Guild, Peking Road.

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CALAMITY

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Mat Finnigan concluded his peroration. "Well — we're away then. Fred, you go first and signal us at the bend, when your plane's O.K. and in position. Louis and me 'ull fix the gun and see to that. Young 'Un, put this bottle in the car, and no swigs on the way. You got your gun primed? You all got your guns?"

Only Young Mat gave the reassuring touch to his hip pocket where the flat automatic reposed. It was a theatrical action. The others merely nodded.

They were all a little apprehensive, although, with the exception of Young Mat, all were salted with the experience of previous hold-ups. It was the tie that bound them together. And when America had become too hot to hold them they had looked for something easier in England.

The job now contemplated certainly seemed a snip. Their information was sound. The quiet countryside ideal.

Finnigan's brains, best of all, made him an ideal leader. The banana business had been his idea. It was good comouflage. With his son, Young Mat, as partner he led a respectable life and made a little money by honest trade. The two paid hands, Ikey Mo and Louis, handled and cut up the fruit. The cadaverous Fred was "the cashier." (Although Finnigan himself handled the cash). The cellar where the bananas were ripened, a soundproof council chamber and hiding-place. And the fast motor lorry, advertising on removable boards the name of Finnigan and Son, Banana Merchants, was not only a necessary adjunct to the business, but also a speedy and indispensable means of transport for themselves and anything valuable that might require to be moved under cover. Already they had made a few quiet and respectable burglaries. It was an innocent-looking van, though obviously powerful. But its walls were of steel, bullet-resisting, and it had a hinged flap in the rear panel which, when raised, would presently reveal the muzzle of a machine-gun, ingeniously mounted in the body.

Behind this gun, on a little seat, Mat Finnigan himself would sit, and if occasion made it necessary he would not hesitate to send a stream of bullets to shatter human opposition.

He supervised the mounting of the gun himself, testing the action of the lock and casting a critical eye at the loaded cartridge belt. His thin face was devoid of any expression, but within the tiny pupils of his almost colourless eyes was a hard glint that might have betrayed resolution—or utter recklessness—or cruelty—or greed. His plans were made. Finnigan knew he could rely on his associates. He had no fear of them. But if any one, even his son, Young Mat, failed at the crucial moment he would deal out punishment that would be terrible.

Young Mat stood by the van watching them as they prepared to move off. With his hands in his pockets and a cigarette end hanging perilously from his lower lip he affected a non-chalance, a studied indifference to the importance of the occasion. In his mind he was trying to imagine it was a picnic they were going to—not a killing. He felt that his part—important as he knew it to be, was a minor one. It was not in the limelight, and, loving the limelight, he half wished that it could be. There was a steady pulsation of his heart that told of nerves.

Suppose they met a stern opposition and the hold-up developed into a revolver fight? Would he like that? He thought not. But it was of himself he thought—not the others—not even of his father. So long as they got the "stuff" he would feel no sorrow for the fallen. He wanted to acquire a reputation.

The van moved off and disappeared out of the yard. There were no good-byes. They might have been going to an ordinary burglary. Young Mat took a look at the rising sun (it was early morning), threw away his cigarette end slouched back into the store. He had just an hour to waste before playing his part. Inside the van, driven through quiet country by-roads by Ikey Mo, Louis Brant and Finnigan, senior, sat eating cold sausages and bananas.

Presently Finnigan, wiping his mouth with the back of his hand, said: "How you feelin', Louis?"

"I'm fine," said Louis.

"I'm splittin' away after I got my share," said Finnigan, "We gotter be scattered."

"Don't be so sure you got it yet," said Louis Brant, anxiously. "Something may . . ."

"Shut up your face, Louis! I never seen you so miserable. Here, take a small one out of this." He passed the whisky bottle.

"I got a feeling—a feeling we're gonna be let down," confessed Louis, wiping his lips. "I gotta hunch! An', my cripes, if it's any one of us let us down they got me to reckon with!"

"You needn't worry," said Finnigan. "It's up to me, an' nobody is going to let us down—unless you gets funky."

There was no reply to this, and in silence the van sped smoothly on its way. Presently it stopped, and Ikey Mo's face peered through the front partition.

"'Eré you are," he piped.

They jumped down and looked around.

Within a few minutes the car had been run into its side turning, the wind tested for direction, the 'plane located and signalled, and the ground carefully reconnoitred; a field telephone set was connected to wires previously laid and tested, and while Mat Finnigan tried to establish connection, Louis Brant built a little roadside fire of paper, leaves and twigs to test, in miniature, the effect his more noxious smoke bombs would create.

Presently Brant walked over to where Mat Finnigan was listening at the instrument. "Have you got him?" he asked.

Finnigan shook his head.

"I can't get him yet," he said. "Maybe he's out lookin' round. I'll try again in a few minutes."

But although he tried again and again until his face set in grim lines of anger, the instrument was silent.

"Is it cut?" enquired Louis anxiously.

Finnigan shook his head. "I can hear it buzzing", he said. "And it was working perfect last night. The young devil isn't there! I'll fay him!"

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†*BANGALORE	6,000	26th May	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
MANTUA	10,000	2nd June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	16th June	—— DO ——
†*BHUTAN	6,000	23rd June	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
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The innermost secrets of the Russian court in the last days of Czar Nicholas and the tremendous power wielded by Rasputin, the "Mad Monk" constitute the drama that began to unfold in a dingy London courtroom as the suit of Princess Irina Alexandrovna (Princess Youssoupoff), came up for hearing. The Princess is seeking $2,000,000 from Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures, Ltd., of London, for damages she charges her character sustained as the result of the film "Rasputin and the Empress." She claims the "Princess Natasha," played by Diana Wynyard, was intended to portray her. As "Natasha" is shown objectionably linked with Rasputin, played by Lionel Barrymore, in the film, the princess considers herself libeled. Sir Patrick Hastings, one of England's most brilliant lawyers, is counsel for the princess. His star witness was Prince Youssoupoff, self-confessed assassin of Rasputin.

CALAMITY

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Time passed, overhead the larks twittered unheeded. The little group around the telephone began to show frayed tempers. They had been nearly two hours trying to establish communication with Young Mat on the telephone without success.

They were unprepared. This breakdown in the organisation was unforeseen. Young Mat had failed.

"Trouble is when to know how soon to expect 'em," muttered Finnigan. "Go and lay a smoker down, Louis. We'll stop everything! Wave your arm if anything comes round the bend."

But he spoke too late. Even before Louis Brant had moved towards the road, the roar of an approaching motor lose to a crescendo, passed, and was quickly followed by another. They had a glimpse of a shining black closed van—the second car, and simultaneously the three men shouted.

"They've gone!"

"After them!"

But no one moved. The futility of chasing was obvious. They had come to surprise and had, instead, been surprised. It was all over. For a moment the men looked at each other with varying expressions. Incredulity, chagrin, disappointment, amazement and then anger.....

Louis Brant strode to the van and grasped the whisky bottle. He applied it to his mouth and gulped steadily. Ikey Mo began to pour out a stream of the most profane words that would come to his bidding.

Mat Finnigan said nothing, did nothing. But his hands clenched and unclenched.

They were all thinking of Young Mat. If Young Mat had known what they were thinking it might have made him very uncomfortable. But he did not know.

When the van had gone and he turned back to the store he knew he had an hour to waste. His nerves were making him fidgety. He went down to the cellar with the idea of testing the telephone connections. They seemed to be in order. Then he proceeded to making himself a cup of tea. He mooned about with hands plunged deep into trousers pockets. The only food in the store was fruit—bananas.

He went back to the cellar to obtain a supply. As he flung back the door a whiff of hot, gas-heated air, lately flavoured with the smoke of the conference and carrying strong exudations of gas from the fruit itself, enveloped him. The cellar was lit only by the gas jet low down on the ground that heated the air to ripen the fruit. From habit he closed the door after him to conserve the heat. Then, in the uncertain light, he proceeded to choose a banana. He wanted a ripe one, and the bunches were hot quite ready for the cutting knife. It was on the fourth bunch he examined that he saw the spider.

It jolted him upright with surprise to find his face within seven or eight inches of it. A huge hairy thing, with stilt-like legs as long as a man's middle finger and a fat bloated body. Its eyes protruded, malevolent and piercing. Truly a wonderful spider. Young Mat had never seen anything like it. For a moment he stood staring at it, fascinated and curious. The spider moved slightly, and he stepped back a pace.

"What a whopper!" he murmured. Vague thoughts of catching it filled his head. But another thought obtruded itself. The bananas came from Central America, where scorpions and snakes abounded. Perhaps this spider was one of the blood-sucking variety he had heard about when he was small. It looked horrible enough for anything. No doubt it had come over concealed in the bunches of fruit, kept alive by insects. Would it jumped out at him and suck his blood? At the thought he felt a cold shiver pass down his back. He kept at a respectable distance, and the spider, as if reading his thoughts, executed a little shuffle which made him jump again. Then it remained passive, but with its eyes fixed on his, and he, curious at the unfamiliar sight and marvelling at the size of the thing, approached closer again. He even held up his thumb to compare its size with the spider's fat body. Presently he found a long straw and tickled it. The spider scurried away to security, reappeared after a vain attempt to get round to the other side of the bunch, and again shuffled and seemed to blink its horrid eyes.

Just then the telephone bell tinkled, and Mat was brought back with a jerk to the realities of life. He would kill the spider and get on with the business.

He drew the automatic pistol from his hip pocket. The cellar was soundproof. Raising the pistol with a steady hand he took aim along the sights and pressed the trigger.

There was a deafening report, a primrose stab of flame—but the spider was still on the bunch, though one of the yellow banana pods above had a clean hole drilled through it. He raised the pistol again, and for the second time he missed. This time the spider scuttled on its long legs.

The telephone continued to ring intermittently. He half resolved to leave the shooting practice until he had answered the call, but the instrument was on the wall very near to the bunch of fruit on which the spider played hide and seek. It might jump down his neck while he was speaking.

The spider reappeared in a favourable position. He approached a little closer and took aim, facing more towards the light from the gas jet. Again the report of the pistol stunned his senses—but this time darkness followed. The gas jet had flickered and gone out.

At the same time he seemed to feel in the intense darkness a tickling across his face. He whirled around, shrank, and fired the pistol twice indiscriminately into the darkness. Where was the thing? Which side? Furiously he slapped his head, dropped the pistol, and wiped his hands over his face, hair, and neck to be certain it was not upon him. As he moved something touched his cheek. It was the cold caress of a bunch of the hanging fruit, but the shock sent him stumbling back. His heel landed fairly on a discarded banana skin, his feet shot into the air, and he fell heavily, striking the back of his head on the cement floor.

The telephone bell continued to tinkle as he lay on the floor senseless, and when it finally ceased the hiss of the escaping gas pouring into the room from the punctured pipe was the only sound that broke an otherwise intense silence.

When the van finally stopped in the yard the three men dropped from it with considerable haste.

Brant's eyes had narrowed—either from whisky or rage—nearly to a squint. Ikey Mo was livid. Mat Finnigan, senior's, expression was murderous.

They tumbled down the stairs on top of each other. Mat Finnigan led the party, Brant following, and Ikey Mo closely in the rear. It was Mat Finnigan who swung back the door of the cellar and stood in the doorway peering into the darkness.

"Gas!" he breathed.

Ikey Mo pushed past him... and struck match to see.....

CERMAK'S ASSASSIN PROVED NORMAL

Months Of Study On Zangara's Brain

MIAMI OUTRAGE RECALLED

Jacksonville, Florida.

President Roosevelt in Miami last Spring, missed him and fatally wounded Mayor Cermak of Chicago, had a "normal brain," Dr. Adolph Meyer has decided after months of study of the brain.

Dr. Meyer, a noted brain specialist at Johns Hopkins Hospital, stated that there was "no corelation between the deed of homicide" (for which Zangara was electrocuted) "and the type of brain."

Dr. Meyer's findings, reported to Dr. Ralph N. Greene, local psychiatrist, were as follows:—

"The fissuration of the brain showed no striking deviations such as were formerly emphasised in literature on the criminal brain.

"Microscopic examination indicated a condition such as is encountered in patients who have suffered from prolonged fevers or intoxication, and often enough without any clear accounting for the condition observed.

"There was no evidence, however, of any disorganising process going on at the time of Zangara's death."

Mayor Cermak was shot by the assassin on the night of February 15th., 1933 as the latter joined thousands who were welcoming Mr. Roosevelt to Miami. Mr. Cermak died on March 6. Zangara paid for the crime with his life on March 20.—Reuter.

The Tientsin Chinese Chamber of Commerce has petitioned the Tientsin City Government for a reduction in taxes. According to the Chamber, 2,991 shops have been compelled to suspend business during the last six months due to depression and heavy taxes.

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ROBERT CLIVE OF INDIA

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At his first Home-coming he had been hailed as a youthful hero; now he was accepted as a great man.

Pitt described him as a "Heaven-born general." The King paid him particular attention. His enemies among the directors were forced to defer to him. He was immensely wealthy. He secured a seat in Parliament, he formed a political connection, he was raised to an Irish peerage. But India called him for the third time.

The administration had relapsed into its old lethargy and corruption, and within a few years of Plassy all was once again in jeopardy.

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When, two years later, Clive left India for the last time, he had laid the foundations not only of "John Company," but of what eventually became an Imperial administration.

Hounded To Death

The last phase in his life was melancholy. The new rich from India were viewed with envy and suspicion; his name was burdened with the unpopularity of a whole class, decried and denounced as tyrants and pillagers.

The fiercest propaganda of detraction in Parliament, by pamphlet and in the news sheets, was launched against him. The questionable actions of his early days were exposed to the full glare of Parliamentary inquiry. A ceaseless persecution hounded him to his death. His health broke down, he sought consolation in opium, and at last, when only 49, he died so suddenly that his end was long attributed to suicide.

Clive passed away rich and hated; his victories were forgotten, and their consequences not yet understood. His third visit to India and great, though brief, administration by its austerity inflicted censure up on the unprincipled romantic episodes of his youth. It probably seemed to him in the closing years of his life that he had toiled and dared in vain, and that his countrymen would neither value nor preserve all that he had gained for them. But the greatest age of British splendour still lay ahead, and a grateful posterity has enshrined him in the foremost rank of national heroes.

Now, in this period of exhaustion after so many triumphs, when our very right to reign and rule in the East is assailed by morbid subversives or featherheaded sentimentalists, it is refreshing, and, indeed, inspiring, to renew our contact with the splendid vigour of our forbears.

SITE OF OLD FORT RALEIGH DEEDED

Restoration On Previous Lines Planned.

Raleigh, North Carolina.

The site of old Fort Raleigh, on Roanoke Island, where Sir Walter Raleigh sent a group of settlers in the first attempt of the English to colonise America, has been deeded to the State and will be beautified through the use of $20,000 (£4,000) in C.W.A. funds.

It was announced that the Roanoke Colony Memorial Association has deeded the site of 16.45 acres to the State Historical Association.

Plans call for the restoration of the Fort along its original lines of architecture.—Reuter.

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ORDEAL FOR FOUR NATIVES

Suva, Fiji.

News has come from Taveuni of a feat of endurance by two Indians and two Fijians.

Three Indians and two Fijians set out in an open boat to cross the Somo Somo Straits, which are always dangerous and treacherous owing to tide rips and cross currents. The tide caught the boat and capsized it. The cargo fell into the sea and the boat, though full of water, righted itself.

One Indian was an old man and unable to swim, so he was placed in the boat, and the four men started to push the boat, by swimming behind it. No one saw their flight, the oars had been swept away, and the shore was far distant. The men kept swimming and pushing the boat in an endeavour to reach land. All night they kept at it. Next day when the sun was well up in the heavens they were rescued, tired, but still struggling. The waters are shark infested.—Reuter.

The chairman of the Commission on the October riots in Palestine is the former Chief Justice of the Straits Settlements, Sir William Murison.

KING'S THEATRE BOY CHARGED.

Chocolate-Seller Absconds.

Yu Wo, formerly employed selling chocolates in the King's Theatre, was bound over to the sum of $50 to be of good behaviour for six months by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning, when charged with the embezzlement and the theft of $29.40 from Mr. Leung Ki-shu, House Manager of the King's Theatre, on March 25 and on April 1.

Detective-Sergeant Shepherd said that while Mr. Leung was in Canton the defendant absconded with the proceeds from his sales.

RELIGIOUS RIOTS IN BOSTON.

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Two grocers, Mato Slegletin and Mishin Farkinson, were arrested in New York on December 24 in connection with the murder which was perpetrated on the altar of the Armenian Cathedral in the city.

Both the arrested men were members of the "Old Thought" group, while the Bishop was of the "New Thought" group, which is regarded as favouring the Soviet.

SUN-TAN TABOO FOR CHORUS GIRLS

Australian Company's New Order.

DETRIMENTAL TO UNIFORMITY

Melbourne.

Ladies of the chorus and ballet, and even girls who have speaking parts in J. C. Williamson, Ltd., shows, have been warned that henceforward sunbaking is taboo.

Explaining the action of the management, a member of "the Firm," said that dark skins must be barred, because under the lights, they looked darker than even the sun had made them.

The variegated shapes and modes of bathing costumes, which the girls wear on the beaches, he said, created a displeasing variety of criss-cross pattern of white, lemon, olive, and nigger brown skin. This, despite all efforts at effective body make-up, was detrimental to uniformity in such shows where low cut evening dresses were worn, and where the pearly whiteness of the skin was desired to be emphasised by lighting effects.—Reuter.

DAY'S RAINFALL

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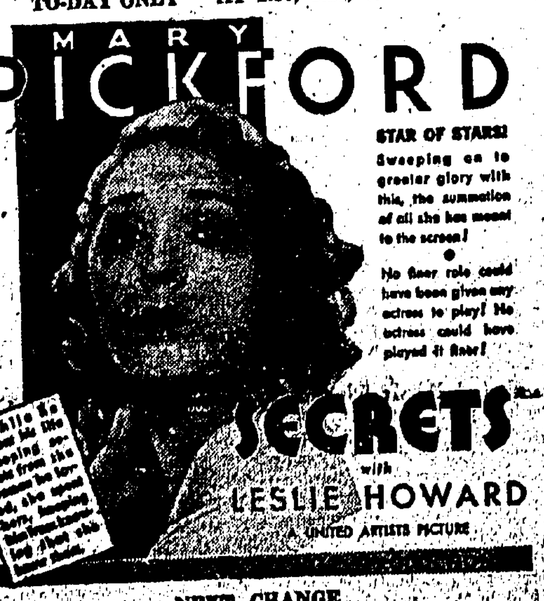

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